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Tai-po	Shatin	7.18	8.48	11.04	12.34	1.49	5.09
Tai-po Market	Shatin	7.21	8.51	11.07	12.37	1.53	5.13
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Shungshui	Shatin	7.38	9.07	11.23	12.53	2.07	5.27
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Shatin	Tai-po	7.58	8.43	11.17	12.21	3.38	4.56
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Shatin	Yau-mat	7.02	8.36	10.51	12.21	1.36	4.56
Tai-po	Shatin	7.18	8.48	11.04	12.34	1.49	5.09
Tai-po Market	Shatin	7.21	8.51	11.07	12.37	1.53	5.13
Fanning	Shatin	7.32	9.02	11.18	12.48	2.03	5.23
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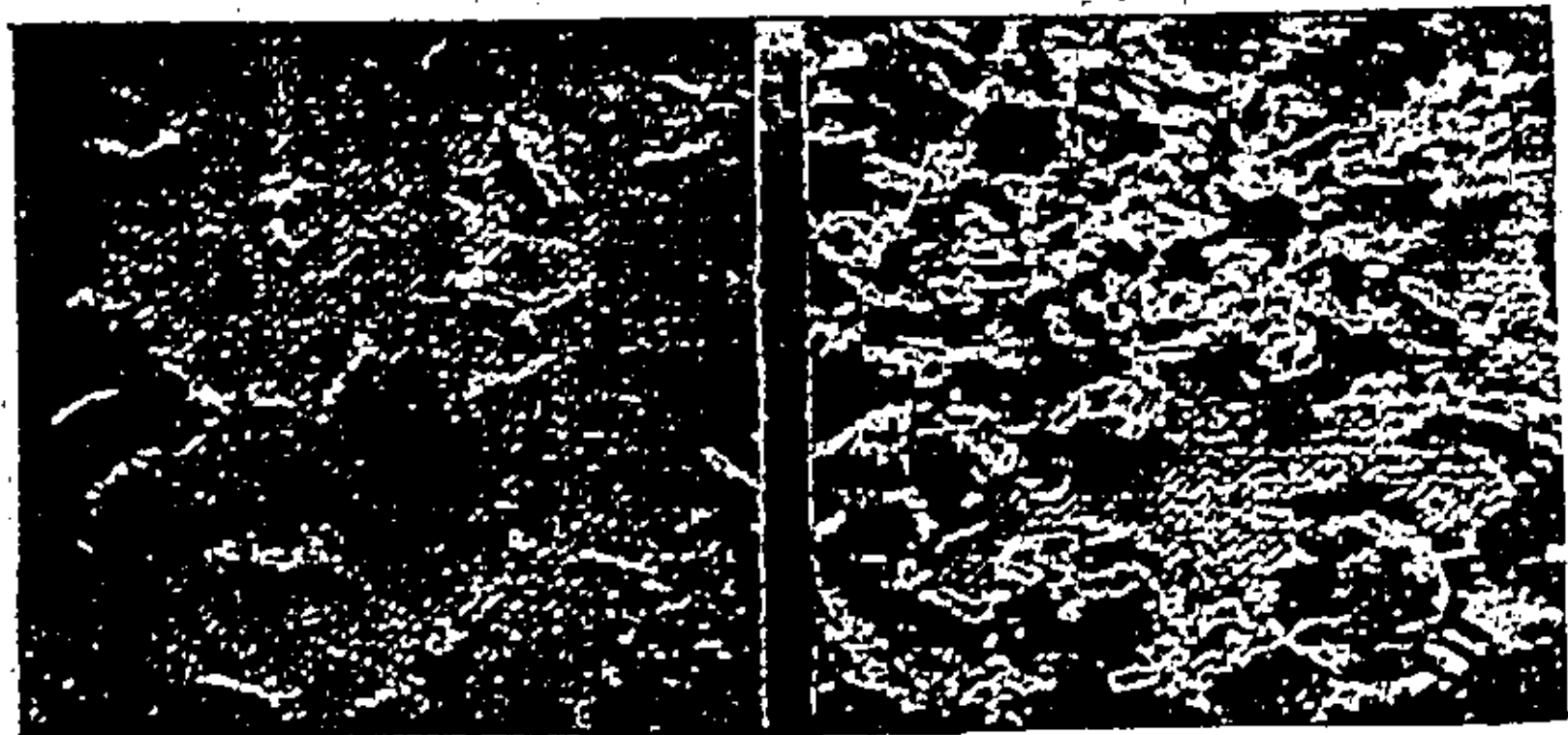
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"AN UNSAVOURY BUSINESS."

A referee, in the person of Mr. Moss Deyong, has dared to differentiate between holding and tugging and mauling and boxing. And on March 19th, at Albert Hall, he disqualified Kid Lewis in the fifth round of a contest with Tommy Milligan, our champion welter, for persistent and unpardonable offences against the rules of the game. Lewis was never remarkably, ever favouring an "all-in" policy, he has held a world's title from boyhood and in various parts of the world he has fought for a living, never sparing himself or the other fellow; but, though not unduly squeamish, I have been surprised that he has not been more than reprimanded for the methods he has often employed. If the referee of the bout, which was at the middle-weight limit—both men in the afternoon scaled 11st 6lb.—had not disqualified Lewis then I would have feared for the future of boxing. Lewis, as it seemed, was just so many stones of passion; there was no niceness in his ways from the first sound of the gong; he shrew overboard.

DISREGARDED COMMAND OF "BREAK."

Lewis crashed and landed on Milligan, who comes from Hamilton, so soon as the signal for hostilities to begin was given. If he had stopped at that there would have been no legitimate cause for complaint or objection. A fight is a fight, a thing all vigour and hardness; but Lewis as is characteristic of him, so soon as he had forced himself to close quarters, clutched Milligan with one hand and punched away with the other, paying little or no attention to the command of "break." Lewis, whether capable of doing so I would not say, clearly did not concern himself with the rule of boxing. With him it was a case of doing everything he was permitted to do. A more unsavoury business I have not looked for a very long time. Milligan was for ever trying to bear himself free. Most men would have given up in disgust. He suffered himself to be mauled without showing either annoyance or mattering a complaint, and he did not even resent being hit by the forearm.

CAUTIONED THREE TIMES.

If the referee erred, it was on the side of leniency. He would have been completely justified in ordering Lewis out of the ring long before he did. Three times did he caution him severely, over and over again he found it necessary to tear Lewis off his man; and when, in the fifth round, he ruled Lewis out, and awarded the fight to the Scot, I and every one jealous of boxing, were tremendously relieved. If Mr. Moss Deyong had not disqualified Lewis he would have been guilty of a grave dereliction of an obvious duty.

I am quite convinced that if Milligan had been even tolerably free to box and fight, he would have confirmed my opinion that he is in every way the superior of Lewis, who, I am quite sure, has had his big days. Milligan, in my judgment, has no equal in Britain, at his poundage, and I should say that it is as a middle-weight, and not as a welter, that he can do his talents the greatest justice. As such, he may challenge comparison with the best in America. In him we have at least one worthy champion.

"SOLDIER" JONES SHOWN UP.

Charlie Smith, more than six feet high, and near to the limit of elongation, made an awful exposure of the poverty of boxing of the Canadian heavy-weight. Soldier Horace Jones, who has been variously described as a "cyclone," a "blizzard," a "hurricane," and many other fantastic monsters. This Smith would pass for an exclamation mark, so thin and skinny is he; under one big punch, such as Jones is reputed to carry, you would expect to see him break into ever so many little pieces, and there is much about his ideas of how boxing should be done as to make him quite an extraordinary fellow. They tell me that Smith is still in the twenties, and no more than an overgrown lad. He certainly looks it. And he stood up against the Canadian lumberman as if he were out on the holiday of his life. He fought and boxed in a way most casual; as if he were engaged in nothing more than a friendly spar, and Jones, all tense, could make nothing of him at all. Smith tied Jones into a knot. He caused him to swing after the manner of a man who has done all his fighting on the stones, and when ever he minded, he sent his telescopic left hand spitting, like some serpent, into the hard-bitten, much-the-worse-for-wear face of his opponent. Jones was made to appear to be a novice, as a man who had the gloves on for the first time. A lath-like lad, whose home is at Deptford, a beginner, did pretty well as he pleased against a man who came over here as the champion of his country. And on this night given over to fights of all sorts we saw Edward Verrett, of Belgium, beat Joe Rolfe, the Bermudese welter. Rolfe was put down in the first round for a long count by a short left hand blow with much power in it to the body, but though he fell he never quite recovered. Only once had he the Belgian in anything like trouble. That was in the fourth round; but Verrett was too much for the Englishman, and the affair was stopped in the eighth round to save Rolfe unnecessary punishment. R. Beaumont in *The Daily Telegraph*.

What we call reverence for the past is surely, if you analyse it without prejudice, fear of the future.—*Father Edmund Knox.*

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HEALTH OF WORLD.

L.O.N. EASTERN BUREAU.

The recently established Eastern Bureau of the League of Nations, Health Section, was formally opened by Sir Laurence Guillemard, Governor of the Straits Settlements, on the 9th inst. at No. 97, Robinson Road, Singapore.

Dr. Gilbert Brooke, Chief Health Officer, Straits Settlements, received His Excellency, who was attended by Captain Olive, A.D.C., and when a fairly numerous body of those interested in Health Work, on a world's scale, had assembled, Sir Laurence declared the Bureau opened, with the following:

HIS EXCELLENCY'S SPEECH.

The opening of the Bureau is a gratifying recognition of the importance of Singapore, an important step in the development. The need for speedy and reliable information with regard to the incidence and progress of infectious disease in the East has long been felt.

On behalf of the Health Committee of the League of Nations, Dr. Norman White toured the whole of the Far East in 1922-3 to enquire into general epidemiological problems and to recommend the establishment of a bureau in some central port to collect and disseminate information.

The suggestion as to the Bureau was accepted by the League of Nations; and by the generosity of the Rockefeller Foundation, who promised the sum of \$125,000 gold, spread over a period of five years, the scheme became possible, and Singapore was chosen as the most suitable centre.

An international conference was held in Singapore, from February 4th to 12th of this year, to settle administrative details for this Bureau. Representatives were present from British India, British North Borneo, Ceylon, China, Federated Malay States, French Indo-China, Hongkong, Japan, Netherlands East Indies, Philippine Islands, Siam, and Straits Settlements.

The Bureau started work at the beginning of last month (March 1st).

A code for Bureau purposes, invented by Dr. Brooke, has been distributed. Its efficiency may be inferred from the fact that the first weekly telegram to reach the Bureau in code succeeded in conveying in two words a message of 51 words.

The Governments of French Indo-China and the Netherlands East Indies generously offered to broadcast the weekly returns which have been collected by the Bureau from their powerful wireless stations at Saigon and Bandung respectively. The first such weekly broadcast was sent out by Saigon on Friday of last week (April 3rd), and was picked up by Paris and passed to Geneva. I have great pleasure in declaring this Bureau open and in wishing it all success. (Applause.)

Dr. Gilbert Brooke thanked His Excellency for his attendance, marking the interest he took in Singapore and in the matter of universal health-measures, and asked his acceptance of a presentation copy of the code. He also thanked all who were present and showed their interest in what was being done.

Those present included Mr. Seah Leang Seah, Prof. McAllister and many medical men, Mr. and Mrs. Duncan Roberts, Professor Amy Mount, and others who looked with interest on the charts, maps, and exhibits in connection with the work of the Bureau. Dr. Gilbert Brooke, who possesses great powers of organisation and classification, explained the different devices for dealing statistically with figures of health, disease, migration, etc. The Bureau is admirably placed at the top storey of a modern structure, the Pacific Trading Company's premises in Battery Road, and should become, as is intended, a Far Eastern centre for the dissemination of health statistics of eminent value to the health authorities of Asia.

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PROGRESS OF THE RESTORATION SCHEME.

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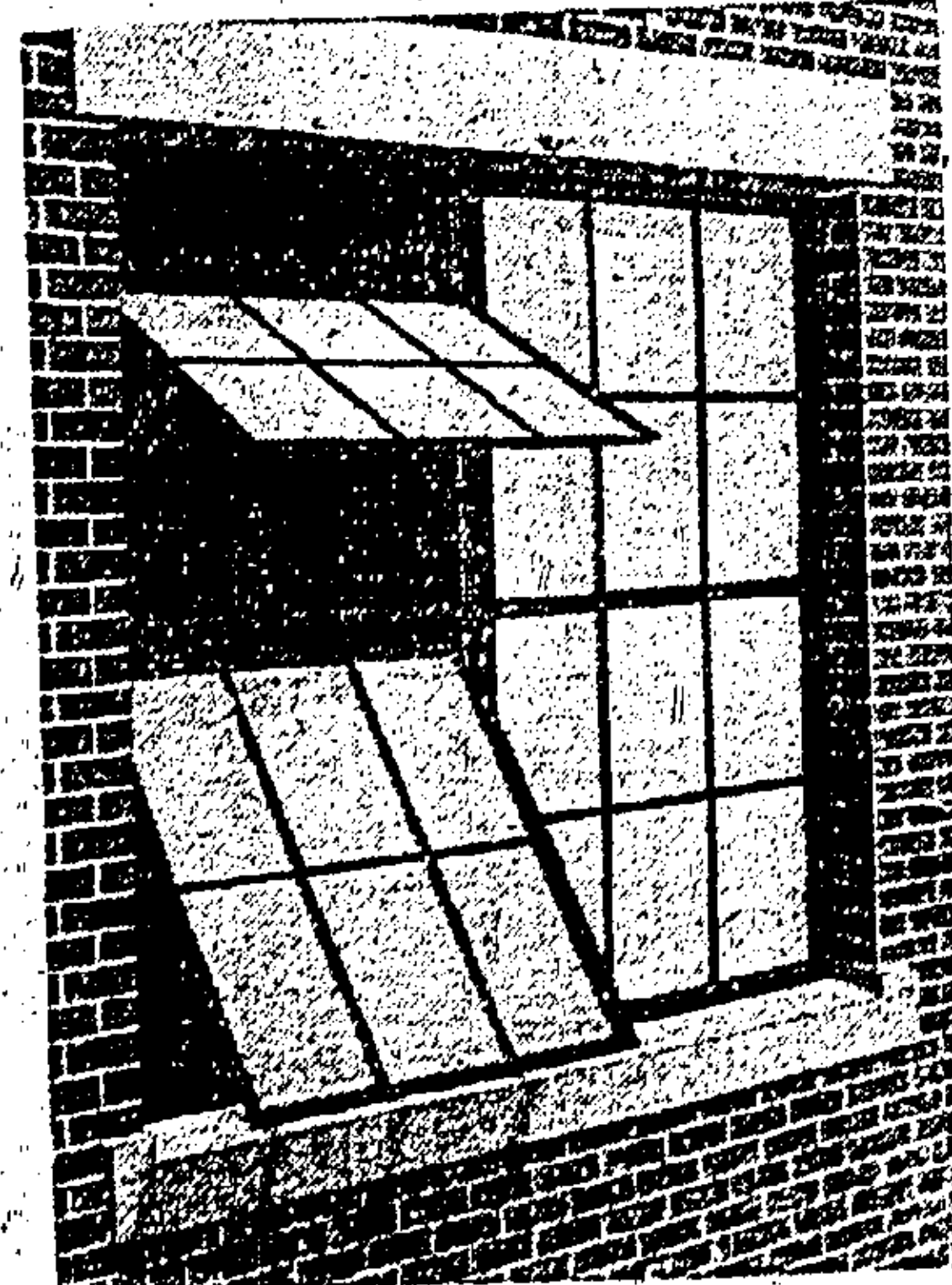
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"The future of England" was the subject of an address given by Dean Inge, of St. Paul's to a crowded audience at Chichester Assembly Rooms recently, in connection with a scheme for establishing a university college for Sussex. Dean Inge said that for the purposes of his address "England" meant the British race and Empire. It was a unique federation of States, different from anything that had existed in history. The United States and the British Empire were the two important and political experiments of modern times and had both been made by the same race. They were the most wonderful and, so far, most successful experiments since the days of Cromwell.

The British race determined to have no more Militarism, and had kept to that. Yet our Colonial Empire was the sole survivor of a group of Colonial Empires—Spain, France, Portugal, and Holland. Spain lost hers by sudden decay, France and Holland theirs by war.

"We cannot be surprised," said Dean Inge, "that the Dutch do not love us when we look at the names of our chief possessions, since the one great Subism which proved the impossibility of maintaining the old idea of Empire. The British Empire has fundamentally changed its character due to the wonderful accidents of its growth, largely to our geographical position in the expanding world and to our possessing a great deal of the world's best coal and iron."

"It had also the good fortune that in our Colonies we occupied comparatively empty countries, and thus preserved in them the purity of the white strain instead of meeting, as did the Spaniards, more or less civilised races with which the newcomers mixed their blood."

"For a generation after Waterloo we had unquestioned command of the sea, and no one challenged our right to pick up such 'unconsidered trifles' as Australia or hold the balance over the diverse places of India."

After tracing the development of the Empire in various quarters and alluding to disruptive forces now at work in different quarters, such as India and South Africa and French Canada, Dean Inge said it was doubtful if our Empire would continue indefinitely on its present basis. The feeling of nationhood was increasing in the Dominions, different types of national character were emerging, and he was afraid it was probable that Canada, and possibly Australia, might feel themselves in some ways more drawn towards the United States than to ourselves.

"Whatever happens, I hold the opinion that wherever Englishmen are in England, and our real task has been to protect those young nations beyond the seas while they were unable to protect themselves." If the political connection with our great Dominions was ever severed, we must resign ourselves to being a very small country, too small to have a preponderating influence among the great nations of the world.

The Dean went on to speak of the fall of the birth-rate and the effect upon national strength of the differentiation of the birth-rate in various sections of the population, and said that from these considerations arose the larger question: "whether the future is to belong to the cheap or the expensive races, and the growing force of the economic threat of the yellow race which could live under every climate condition and thrive under conditions impossible to whites."

SHANGHAI TRADE.

Messrs. Ibbett and Co.'s Piece Goods Market Report for April 17th says: "We have an absolutely featureless market to report this week, the chief reason probably being the fact that a native settlement is due at the end of the current lunar month, after which a revised scale of credits to be issued to the various dealers will be decided upon by the banks. The settlement itself is expected to pass off without trouble owing to an easy money market, but the uncertainty as to future financial facilities is naturally holding up operations."

Contrary to recent reports of congestion of stocks of piece goods and yarn in the River Ports and along the railway lines, it is now stated that the quantities are really nothing excessive, but that the off-take is very slow indeed. Apparently the buyers in the interior are taking no risks and are only moving off the barest quantities which they can immediately resell and convert into cash, a very wise policy considering the uncertain and dangerous conditions prevailing almost everywhere throughout the country.

RUBBER POSITION.

Reviewing the Rubber Trade Association of London Statistics to end of February, the *Straits Times* says: "In the two months the United Kingdom imported 11,929 tons and exported 14,798 tons, thus drawing on stocks, exclusive of home requirements, to the extent of 2,777 tons. The figures are almost identical with those for the first two months of 1924, but when we come to stocks there is a marked difference. Stocks in the United Kingdom at the end of February, 1924, were 92,579 tons, and at the same date this year 25,679 tons, a decrease of 66,900 tons. At the middle of March last year the price in Singapore was 42½ cents. This year it is 78 cents—such is the effect of bringing London stocks to a reasonable figure. An interesting item in the report before us is the United States official record of imports for the whole year 1924. It was 329,563 tons, against 309,139 tons in 1923, and 301,074 tons in 1922."



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China Sugars	168 b.
Langkats (combined)	115.24 nom.
Kowloon Wharves	11504 b.
Whampoa Docks	120 sa.
Shanghai Docks	117 sa.
H.K. & S. Hotels	384 sa. & sa.
Humphreys Estates	3204 b.
Ewo Mills	11.85 nom.
Shanghai Options	115.60 b.
Oriental	115.60 b.
Cement (combined)	34 sa.
China Lights (combined)	336/37 sa.
Provident (old)	164 nom. (new) 14 b.
Dairy Farms	227 b.
Hongkong Electric	100 b. 91/3 sa.
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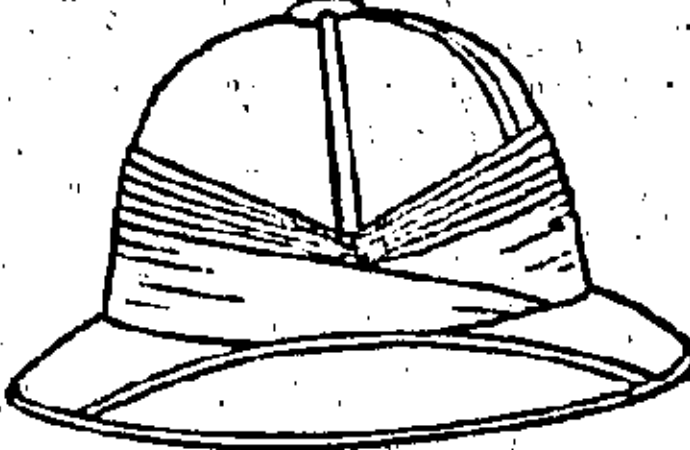
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OUR LONDON LETTER.
PARLIAMENT AND THE SINGAPORE
BASE ONCE AGAIN.
THE PASSING OF A GREAT PUBLIC
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[FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.]
LONDON, March 26th.

SINGAPORE, AGAIN.
In spite of a carefully-prepared Labour protest against the Admiralty policy to proceed with the construction of the Singapore base for the British Navy, the House of Commons gave the Admiralty its blessing. The House passed the Navy Estimates containing the proposal to lay out money on the construction of the base. There was nothing very new in the line of argument put forward by Mr. Ramsay MacDonald as the chief mouthpiece of Labour in the matter. He argued that Singapore would weaken the Empire because it was likely to increase the war-making impulses of the world. It would weaken the hands of the apostles of peace on earth. A true naval base such as was contemplated at Singapore implied a contemplation of war, and so forth.

The ex-Prime Minister also declared that the effect of fortifications at Singapore had been to turn the mind of the East towards military preparations. Japan, he said, had adopted a new political policy in the Far East where also Russia was producing her own policy and taking action of her own, the meaning of which no one need look deep to find out. He added that having regard to our future relations with Japan, China and Russia this country should drive with a careful rein and steady hand; and so from that point of view, he contended, Singapore was going to upset many of our chances of success. As in previous debates in Parliament on this subject objection was taken in the name of the Labour Party to the expense, Mr. MacDonald said to the present estimate of the cost, put at eleven millions, sterling would only be a mere flea-bite to what the scheme would eventually involve.

THE DIVISION FIGURES.
But as I have said the House endorsed the action of the Admiralty by no uncertain voice. The vote was carried by the substantial majority of 290 votes to 129. The main point that weighed with Members apart from the Labour element and the Liberal rump who are at one with the Admiralty over Singapore, is that the construction of a naval base at Singapore will take time. Years will be occupied in the work. The whole face of the political situation as it affects the world may—and probably will—be changed in the next ten years; and no body but a simpleton would leave to chance the protection of British interests in the Far East which can be ensured by a great naval base at Singapore. This fairly sums up the general view which I believe weighed with the majority of Members who voted in support of the Admiralty policy.

QUEEN ALEXANDRA.
It is pleasing to learn that Queen Alexandra is well enough to be planning a summer stay at Marlborough House. Ever since she arrived in London to become the bride of the Prince who was afterwards King Edward the Seventh she has been a great favourite with the London public. Queen Alexandra makes a plucky fight against the infirmities of age. Even at eighty she is with difficulty persuaded to wear spectacles. She is unable to walk much without support; but perhaps the disability she feels most is deafness.

Her inability to hear is specially trying because she is so fond of music. When she was much younger and any famous musician was invited to play before her she invariably went near the piano so as not to miss a note. Besides her skill as a pianist Queen Alexandra was an expert mandoline player. When Princess of Wales she was member of a very select orchestra in which the mandoline players wore black costumes with a sash of red, green and white. In this connection some may recall the marriage of Lord and Lady Rochdale at which a wedding march for pianoforte that was rendered was composed by the gracious lady now the Queen Mother.

GETTING READY AT WEMBLEY.
Spring cleaning has begun at Wembley in preparation for the opening of the Exhibition this year. The whole place is being furnished to look like new, and nobody will be able to say that there is a faded appearance about either the buildings or the grounds. The lake which was so popular last year is being cleaned, and it is calculated that nearly 5,000 tons of mud which silted in from higher ground will have to be removed before the picturesque expanse of water presents the charming appearance that it had last summer. I was told this week that the men engaged in cleaning out the mud are finding all sorts of treasures at the bottom of the lake in the shape of purses and loose coins that were dropped from the bridges or small boats of the Exhibition in the full swing. It is calculated that over a quarter of a million gallons of paint will be required before the Exhibition opens. The colour design for the restaurants is a check-board pattern which is strongly suggestive of cross-word puzzles. The idea is to enable visitors to know that wherever they see a building painted in squares they will get both food and drink.

MIDNIGHT PLAY.
In spite of the efforts of faddists and fanatics to keep Londoners in leading strings in the matter of amusements and refreshments—the tendency of London to "brighten" itself appears to be increasing in intensity. The latest temptation to turn night into day is to be provided by a midnight performance of a revue. This will begin at the Prince of Wales's Theatre in a week's time. The revue is to be performed at eight o'clock, and then again at midnight, which means, of course, one entertainment at the usual time for an evening performance, and another extra performance for the delectation of those who cannot begin to enjoy life until round about midnight.

The whole thing is an experiment, needless to say, but from what I hear elaborate arrangements are being made to ensure its success. Special omnibuses are being engaged to leave the theatre at about three o'clock in the morning for outlying suburbs, and it will be possible to book seats on these buses at the theatre box office. Whether there is any future for this kind of nocturnal revelry has yet to be proved. The experiment is certainly a bold one.

THE LATE MARQUIS CURZON.
The death of the Marquis Curzon of Kedleston brings to an end a record of public service that could not easily be matched. The end was not unexpected in London where it was known that there was really no hope for the complete recovery of the ex-Foreign Secretary. Even had he recovered from the illness that has unfortunately proved fatal his public career would have terminated. Among those who are in a position to speak on the subject the marvellous thing is that his illness lasted so long.

Lord Curzon was never a robust man. In his University days he was unable to take part in the games and exercises of his fellows, and it was doubtless this disability that earned for him early in his career a reputation for aloofness. When he returned home after his splendid achievement in India he was a chronic invalid for months, and it was then a question whether he would have kept going.

The devotion of Lord Curzon to duty in spite of ill-health and suffering over many years is one of the most wonderful episodes in his career. Here was a man who had practically everything that is accounted desirable and satisfying in mortal—a great position, unlimited wealth, a taste cultivated so as to enable him to enjoy life to the full—and yet he sacrificed his life to the full throughout his life to the public service, leading laborious days in order to serve the country. Lord Curzon belongs to the type of Englishmen who have made England great and free, and no true patriot can afford to refuse to pay a tribute to his memory.

THE F.B.I. NEW PRESIDENT.
Colonel Willey, of Bradford, has succeeded Sir Eric Geddes as the President of the Federation of British Industries, his election having been carried out at the annual meeting this week. There is a remarkable contrast between the two men. Colonel Willey is tall and slim, and has a marked pallor of countenance, while Sir Eric is just the opposite, with a heavy frame and a sunny face like some jolly farmer or squire who has come to London for a pleasure trip. The contrast extends to the manner of speech, also, for whereas Colonel Willey speaks like a typical product of Eton, Sir Eric is ponderous, and has traces of an American accent which he acquired during his stay in that country. The industrial world are mildly curious to see how the new President will acquit himself in the office. He is the second man from the North to hold the premier position in the F.B.I., and the first in the textile trade to be appointed.

END OF FAMOUS WAXWORKS.

London has been vastly concerned at the destruction of Madame Tussaud's famous waxworks show which has been one of the sights of the Town for several generations. The fire, which broke out mysteriously, and reduced the collection of models and the big building to ruins in a few hours is in a certain sense a national calamity. Nobody could have claimed to have seen London unless they had paid a visit to Madame Tussaud's. There you saw kings and queens, politicians, sportsmen, explorers, soldiers and sailors who had distinguished themselves in many lands, and a great many other people modelled to the life. All these have gone in the fire, the value being estimated at a quarter of a million pounds sterling.

But the loss although great as regards the waxworks is not the most to be deplored. The figures, or most of them, can be replaced as the moulds are all carefully preserved in strong rooms. What is real tragedy is the destruction of the Napoleon relics. These have completely vanished—the wonderful travelling carriage captured after Waterloo, which was like an ingenious hotel upon wheels, and two other carriages used by Napoleon, the bed of the Duke of Wellington, the guillotine which executed Marie Antoinette, and many other absolutely authentic relics beyond and above price.

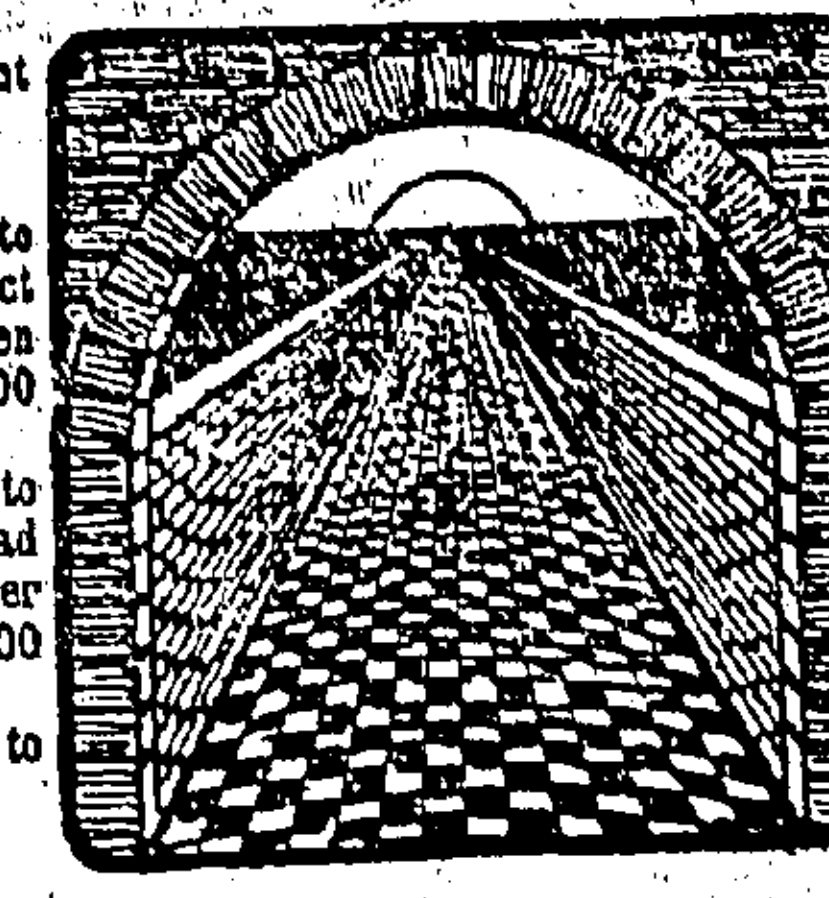
It is a remarkable and ironic fact that while all these wonderful things have disappeared the only parts of the vast collection at Madame Tussaud's that escaped were the figures of murderers in the underground cellar known as the Chamber of Horrors!—H.B.

CINEMA NOTES.

QUEEN'S THEATRE.

Cartier, the talented magician, is to appear at the Queen's Theatre to-day presenting a remarkable display of conjuring and magic on an ambitious scale. Cartier has just completed an unprecedented and veritable triumphal eight years' tour of the world, appearing to full houses everywhere.

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OPIUM AT SINGAPORE.
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AND "SARVESTAN."

In the early hours of April 17th, Revenue Officers, after a two days' search, discovered a large quantity of *chandu* (Malay word for opium) hidden on board the China Steam Navigation steamer *Anhui*.

Another big seizure was made on board the steamer *Sarvestan*. The ships had arrived from China. The *Anhui*, when she came into port three days previously, was searched, but so well was the drug concealed that for two days the efforts proceeded without any success. Then the search was abandoned and the ship, under all appearances, was no longer under suspicion. A careful watch was still being kept, however, and at about 2 a.m. on the 17th inst., movements on board attracted the attention of the Revenue Officers so that they boarded the vessel and were successful in tracing the drug. They had to descend beneath the engine room and at last the *chandu* (opium), some 8,000 tahils of it, was found concealed under a false bulkhead inside a water tank.

The *chandu* on board the *Sarvestan* was also discovered in a water tank. Altogether, the two seizures are valued at about \$200,000 dollars.

BRITISH CAPTAIN FINED.

Captain H. F. Wingett of the steamer *Taklim* was charged before the District Judge at Singapore on the 16th at the instance of the head of the Preventive Service, in connection with the seizure of about 14,000 dollars worth of *chandu* on board the *Taklim* when she last arrived in Singapore from China. Mr. G. S. Carver appeared for the Captain.

It transpired that the Captain did not get to know anything about the discovery of the *chandu* on board his vessel until they arrived at Calcutta, so that he had no chance of ascertaining the person responsible for the drug being smuggled on board. It was pointed out by Mr. Carver that the discovery of the *chandu* was not reported to the officer on duty at the time. Mr. Carver said that Mr. Taylor would agree that the offence on the part of the Captain was only a technical one. The *chandu* was found in the passenger lavatory and the Revenue Officers did not report the results of their search. Mr. Taylor said he agreed that no blame could be attached to the Captain but somebody on board must have known that *chandu* had been found on the ship. His Honour inflicted a fine of \$100.

CHINESE SHIP CONSTRUCTION.

"The Chinese are out to show the world what they can do in the way of ship construction," said Captain H. Tyrer (superintendent of the Eastern and Australian Steamship Co., Ltd.), who was aboard the *Tanda*, which berthed at the New Farm Wharf, Brisbane. Captain Tyrer was on his way to Melbourne after a visit to Hongkong. Every one was pleased with the new ships built in the East, he said, and personally he was very much impressed with the excellence of the Chinese and the Hongkong dockyards. At present they were building in Hongkong a huge dry dock, which, when completed, would be the largest in the world. It would be 1,200 ft. long, and steamers of 8,000 ft. or over in length could be docked there quite easily. The three new vessels referred to were each 8,000 tons oil freighters. Two other steamers for G. H. Yuill and Co., were well advanced, and it appeared although the yards would be kept busy for some time to come in building new ships. The labour was satisfactory, and in the building of ships the finest workmanship was displayed. The labourers themselves were a contented lot, and strikes were practically unknown. That, combined with the fact that labour was so cheap in the East, allowed them to quote a very low price when tendering, and that they were receiving plenty of work from all parts of the world.

(Continued at foot of next column.)

JEWS IN CHINA.
ESTABLISHED IN THE COUNTRY
IN 70 A.D.

In a lecture in London recently on Chinese Jews, Mr. Elkan Adler, a relative of the late Chief Rabbi, said that the Chinese Jews had a long and chequered history. It could be traced back to the first century. There was nothing to connect them with the lost ten tribes. China was of great interest to Jews as being the land where several famous Jewish families had made their fortunes. MSS. of Chinese Jewish prayer books were brought to Europe in 1850. They were for many years in the hands of missionaries, but they had now gone to the Jewish Seminary in Cincinnati.

A Mohammedan traveller reported for the first time in the year 851 that there were Jews in China, who, he said, arrived there in the year 70 A.D. In 854 an Arabian writer published an account of the Chinese Jews, and said that they were powerful in commerce and politics. Jews were mentioned in 1200 certain privileges were granted them. Three tablets, dated 1489, 1512 and 1698 respectively, contained interesting records of their faith and history, and one of them affirmed their belief in one God and in the wisdom and virtue of Abraham, Moses and Ezra. In 1623 there was a Jewish Minister in China. About that period a great fire consumed all their religious relics, including the scrolls of the law. Only one scroll remained the fire, and copies of that scroll remained, and could be seen in their Synagogue. Their Seder was the same as that of Jews in Europe, but their Mishnah corresponded to those of the Jews in Persia. They kept the Day of Atonement and the Feast of Tabernacles.

R. Isaac Nieto was the first European Jew to take notice of them. He wrote them a Hebrew letter imploring them to inform him of their origin. He received a reply couched in Hebrew and Chinese characters. Chief Rabbi Dr. Nathan Adler was also greatly interested in them. In 1894 a fund, of which the lecturer's brother, the late Marcus Adler, was Honorary Secretary, was started with the object of doing something for the Chinese Jews. A Jewish traveller, designated Benjamin II., was commissioned to go there, but was prevented from doing so by illness. There was an attempt to bring over two young men of that race, and educate them, but they became homesick and went back prematurely. Out of the number that resided in China for 2,000 years there were still about 150 left. It was a great relief to him to read a Press report to the effect that the Chinese Government had displayed an interest in them, and that they would not be allowed to die out.

ST. GEORGE'S DAY.

WREATH LAID ON CENOTAPH
BY LOCAL SOCIETY.

LETTER FROM ANCIENT BRANCH.

St. George's Day was duly observed in Hongkong yesterday, when the Society laid a wreath on the Cenotaph, following which a luncheon took place at the Hongkong Hotel. Fraternal greetings were received from various other branches of the St. George's Society.

At the Cenotaph the wreath was laid by Mr. W. A. Dowley, the Vice-President of the Society, assisted by Mr. W. C. Shiner, a member of the Committee. Members of the Society and ex-servicemen formed up at the Hongkong Club, and headed by the wreath-bearers, proceeded to the Cenotaph, where the floral tribute was laid at the base.

Among those present were: The Hon. Mr. H. W. Bird, the Hon. Mr. P. H. Holyoak, the Hon. Sir Henry Pollock, K.C., Mr. E. B. C. Hornell, Mr. W. E. I. Shenton, Mr. L. G. Bird, Lt.-Colonel C. Hake, R.N.R., the Hon. Mr. H. T. Greasy, and Mr. L. S. Greenhill (hon. secretary).

At the tiffin which followed at the Hongkong Hotel, the guest of honour was His Excellency the Governor (Sir Edward Stubbs), who was accompanied by his A.D.C. (Capt. Neville). The other guests were: Rear-Admiral Anderson, acting Commander-in-Chief of the China Station, the Hon. Sir Claud Severn, Sir Henry Cowper Gollan (Chief Justice), Bishop and Mrs. Duppy, Mrs. and Miss Stirling (the Commodore being unavoidably absent), Mr. J. Reid (President, St. Andrew's Society), Mrs. Reid, (Mr. J. Owen Hughes (President of the Hongkong St. David's Society), Mrs. Owen Hughes, Mr. W. W. Hornell, C.I.E., and the Hon. Mr. C. G. Alabaster, K.C.

Over a hundred sat down to tiffin. Mr. W. A. Dowley, who presided in the absence from the Colony of Dr. G. Monague Harston, the President for the present year, proposed the loyal toast and later the toast of the "President of the Royal Society of St. George, H.R.H. the Prince of Wales."

Mr. Dowley subsequently read greetings which had been received from London, Hankow, Shanghai, Peking, Tientsin, Kobe, Brisbane, New York and other places.

"Last but not least," said Mr. Dowley, "we have a letter from New York. The Society in New York was founded in 1770, six years before the Declaration of Independence, and therefore, I think, must be one of the oldest, if not the oldest, branch of the Society in existence. I will read you their letter."

To the President, Officers and Members of the St. George's Society, Branch R.S. of St. G., Hongkong, Greeting!

Again St. George's Day approaches, and throughout the world, North, South, East and West, our brothers of English birth and descent are preparing to do honour to our Patron Saint, and to Old England.

The Officers and Members of St. George's Society of New York, bound to you by common ties of birth, or ancestry, attached to you by virtue of like heritage and identity, send you, hereby, our fraternal greetings.

As the peace will surely be kept between the English speaking nations of the world, let us hope, that from their example, the spirit of peace, for which the sons of England yearn, will extend to every corner of the earth, and to every people thereof.

Yours faithfully,

President.

"It surely should be a pleasure to all those who hold the name of England dear to have an opportunity of meeting those who, like themselves, love to keep green the traditions of England, the Motherland."

"I cannot do better than this message from New York and will therefore, not keep you longer, but give you the toast of 'St. George and Merrie England.'"

The toast was enthusiastically received.

Telegrams were sent to the President of the Society (Dr. G. M. Harston), and to London, Kobe, Peking, Tientsin, Shanghai, Hankow, Canton, Penang, Kuala (Perak), Malacca, Brisbane, and New York.

ST. PAUL'S RESTORATION FUND.

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CRIMINAL SESSIONS.

[REPORT THE CHIEF JUSTICE (SIR HENRY GOLLAN).]

ROBBERY AT HO MUN TIN.
TEN YEARS AND THE CAT.

Convicted of being one of four armed robbers concerned in the robbery at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. d'Almada Remedios, at Ho Mun Tin, on March 7th, when jewellery and money to the value of \$11,000 was stolen, Ng Nam was charged at the Criminal Sessions yesterday, and was sentenced to ten years' imprisonment with hard labour, and fifteen strokes with the "cat."

Mr. Whyte Smith, who opened the case for the Crown, said that at the time the four men entered the house, Mrs. Remedios was in the bathroom with the baby and amah. The house-boy opened the door and four armed men walked in behind him. Two were armed with revolvers and the other two possessed daggers. When Mrs. Remedios asked the men what they wanted, they replied "we want money." She told them that they could take anything they wanted so long as they did not harm her. The boy, amah, and Mrs. Remedios were gagged and bound, and later Mrs. Remedios showed them the desk where the valuables were kept, and gave them the keys.

Evidence was given by Mrs. Remedios, who said that the prisoner, she was sure, was one of the men who participated in the robbery.

The prisoner said that he was forced to take part in the robbery under threat of death.

Prisoner was found guilty, and His Lordship imposed a sentence of ten years' imprisonment with hard labour, in addition to fifteen strokes of the "cat."

The Chief Justice congratulated Mrs. Remedios on her pluck during the armed robbery.

INDIAN SENT TO PRISON.

For being in possession of a revolver, Bache Singh, the second man concerned in the case heard before the Chief Justice on Tuesday, was sentenced at the Criminal Sessions yesterday, to nine months' imprisonment with hard labour.

TO AVENGE FATHER.

OBEDIENT SON SENT TO THE SESSIONS.

Before Mr. S.B.B. McDermid at the Central Magistracy yesterday afternoon, Li Yan was charged on remand with being in possession of an automatic pistol and 99 rounds of ammunition.

Inspector Purden prosecuted for the police and Mr. T. G. Bennett appeared for the defence.

A Chinese constable stated that at 5.45 p.m. on Thursday, April 16th, he was on search duty with other police officers on the Hau Tak Wharf, Connaught Road Central. Defendant came on to the wharf carrying a parcel under his arm.

Witness tore open the parcel and some pea-nuts and several rounds of ammunition fell out. A bag belonging to the defendant was also searched and in it among some dried fish, was discovered an automatic pistol.

Sergeant Kennedy said that altogether there were 99 rounds of ammunition concealed in the parcel of pea-nuts.

He asked defendant if he had a revolver and defendant pointed to a bag. This was opened and the weapon was found concealed.

Evidence was given by the Police Armourer, (Mr. C. Greenwood), that the weapon, a Luger automatic pistol, was in perfectly new condition and had apparently never been fired. The cartridges fitted the pistol and had dum-dum bullets.

In a statement made to the police when he was first charged, defendant said that about nine or ten years ago his father was assaulted by a man in Kowloon. When defendant's father died, he asked defendant to purchase a revolver and take revenge. For this purpose, defendant stated, he bought the revolver and ammunition in America and was on his way to carry out his father's instructions when arrested.

Mr. Bennett said that defendant had no statement to make in court. He would plead guilty to the charge of possession of the pistol and ammunition, but would reserve his defence.

His Worship committed defendant for trial at the May Criminal Sessions.

POLO LAST EVENING.

CIVILIANS WIN THE FINAL FOR K.O.Y.L.I. CUP.

[BY ARBOUS.]

On the polo ground, at Causeway Bay last evening, the Civilians had little difficulty in defeating the Army Team by 8 goals to 1, in the final round of the annual competition for the K.O.Y.L.I. Cup, presented by the King's Own Yorkshire Light Infantry, who were stationed here in pre-war days.

At the conclusion of the match, Capt. Neville, R.M., Honorary Secretary to the Hongkong Polo Club, invited Mrs. Beith to present the trophy to her husband, the Captain of the Civilian Team.

This she proceeded to do, and the ceremony was concluded without any speech-making, those present merely cheering the victors.

Major-General Luard, G.O.C., once again kindly officiated as umpire.

THE GAME.

1st Chukka: The Civilians for the second time this week won the toss, and set their opponents to play against the sun. At the start, the Army, on two or three occasions, came within measurable distance of scoring, but towards the end of the period the Civilians were pressing; and just before the whistle sounded Mr. Pollock scored for the Civilians, from a melle in front of goal (1-0).

2nd Chukka: From the start, the Civilians pressed and Mr. Pollock and Mr. Bartholomew scored goals in quick succession. Mr. Beith adding another a minute before the bell went (4-0).

3rd Chukka: Mr. Pollock early in this period added a fifth point. Then a good combined run by the Army nearly allowed Mr. Davies to score, Mr. Bartholomew saving with a fine back-hand shot almost on the goal line. Thenceforward the Army team fell all to pieces and Major Lotherham and Mr. Beith each added points for the Civilians (7-0).

4th Chukka: The final period was the most even of all, and though the Civilians were never in any real danger of losing were never in any real danger of losing. The first point went to the Army from the stick of Lieut. Sugden, who scored from some distance out. In the final minute, Mr. Beith added another point for the Civilians, who thus won by 8-1.

The teams lined up as follows:

CIVILIAN TEAM	ARMY TEAM
1. Mr. Beith	1. Capt. Osprey
2. Major Lotherham	2. Capt. Bennett
3. Mr. Pollock	3. Lieut. Sugden
4. Mr. Bartholomew	4. Lieut. Davies

LOCAL SPORT.

LAWN TENNIS.

H.K.C.C. TOURNAMENT.

The Hongkong tennis tournament was continued at the Hongkong Cricket Club yesterday, when the results were as follows:

Open Singles—D. J. Valentine beat Choa, 4-6, 6-4, 6-2, 6-2. S. E. Green beat W. Hyde, 6-0, 7-5, 6-4.

Handicap Singles—C. W. E. Bishop beat Ralph, 6-4, 6-2.

Mixed Doubles—Mr. and Mrs. Woodward beat H. J. Armstrong and Miss Holyoak, 6-4, 6-4.

TO-DAY'S GAMES.

The following games are down for decision to-day:

Open Doubles—L. M. Razack and J. A. Casamuboy v. Capt. D. J. Alford and G. Miskin. M. K. Lo and Mr. W. K. H. Unoto and T. Akizuma.

Handicap Doubles—F. A. Redmond and L. Forster v. G. B. Hett and A. S. Hett.

MR. BUNJE'S DOG.

NOT FEROCIOUS WITHIN THE MEANING OF THE ACT.

The case, reported in yesterday's paper, in which Mr. E. T. H. Bunje, of Sassoon Road, Pokfulam, was summoned for keeping an unlicensed and ferocious red setter dog, answering to the name of "Ginger," came before Mr. S. B. B. McDermid at the Central Magistracy yesterday.

On the case being called, it was stated by Mr. M. H. Turner, who appeared to represent defendant, that Mr. Bunje was not present, as he was confined to his bed with acute sciatica. A medical certificate in support of this statement was produced.

His Worship delivered judgment on the case in the following terms: "In my case in the following question: 'Can the dog in the dog in question be considered as ferocious or dangerous within the meaning of Section 3 (1) of Ordinance No. 1 of 1845.'"

"If owners allow their dogs to be a constant source of annoyance to their neighbours there is apparently no provision of the Criminal Law under which proceedings can be taken, though there may be a remedy by Civil procedure."

Under the Dogs Ordinance No. 5 of 1893 the C.S.P. would appear to have discretion with regard to the issue or the refusal of licences to persons to keep dogs, and if there is further cause for complaint with regard to Mr. Bunje's dog and the facts were brought to the notice of the C.S.P., he might be prepared to refuse to issue any fresh licences in respect of them."

"In the present case I can only dismiss the summons."

CANTON NEWS.

[FROM OUR CHINESE CORRESPONDENT.]
ANTI-CHRISTIAN DISTURBANCES.

The latest report of interference by bandit-troops with Christian gatherings in Canton is to the effect that on April 19th, more than 30 Reds rushed a meeting of the Chik Monk Girls' School at Shin Heung Street during chapel service. Other instances of a similar nature have been reported lately in Canton, especially in the east section.

LABOUR TROUBLE.

Following the consent of most of the reeling girls in the silk factories of the Canton silk centres to return to work, the management of the larger concerns announce a proposed all round increase of 20 per cent in wages.

THE GAMBLING REVENUE.

Yielding to the plea of the gambling princes in Canton that it will be inconvenient for them to contribute the \$400,000 official gift, popularly known as black money, to the militarist leaders concerned in order to retain their *Fanlan* gambling monopoly, the Red Army officers dominating Sane Kwan have agreed to accept the gift in six instalments, the first to be not less than \$100,000. The regular revenue to the Army authorities directing the monopoly for the West Section of Canton City has been fixed at \$4,800 daily; and for the East Section \$3,500. Officers in charge of the Tung Kwan districts of the City are asking for an official gift of \$450,000. In addition, the principal officers of the Army actively protecting the gambling traffic are stated to be asking for \$530 to \$290 a day as salary.

In order to commence their new term of the monopoly on May 1st, the gambling monopolies have been ordered by the Red officers to deposit in advance \$90,000 as security for prompt payment of revenue in advance every 15 days.

RESISTING WAR TAXATION.

Nearly 15 leading trade guilds in Canton are now suspending their business wholly or in part as a protest against further war taxation. They include the tow-boat shipping, more than 20 boats being held in jost of \$100 each time every vessel enters or clears Canton Harbour; kerosene oil dealers, who are refusing to pay more taxes beyond the Customs dues; aerated water manufacturers; traders in curios, watches and clocks, furs, gold and silverware, jewellery, jade, embroidery, cosmetics, ivory, and costly foreign articles. The rates range from two to six per cent on the retail sales exceeding 30 cents. When this was written the places closed were stated to include about 100 watch and clock establishments, 200 silverware and 125 goldware firms, and nearly 3,000 others.

"A SILLY GIRL."

LISTENS TO SAGE WORDS FROM THE BENCH.

Fung Ying, manager of the Wah Chung Hing works, was brought up before Mr. E. W. Hamilton at the Kowloon Magistracy yesterday on a charge of harbouring a girl of 15 years of age.

The girl's mother said her daughter lived with her at 36, Portland Street, and was employed in the works where defendant was manager. She missed her daughter on April 11th. Witness had given the girl no permission to go with defendant, nor had he asked to marry her.

The girl, Mak Yung Chung, said that she had known defendant for twelve months, having first met him at Sham Shui Po. She had gone away with him willingly, and had told him to keep it quiet, so that her mother might not know. But when she found out that he was married she wished to go back to her mother.

Defendant pleaded guilty, and was sentenced to three months' hard labour.

His Worship, addressing the girl, said she was a silly girl and he hoped in future that she would confide in her mother.

POLICE COURT ITEMS.

At the Central Magistracy yesterday, before Mr. H. H. Butters, two Chinese district watchmen, who were arrested by the police on Wednesday, were charged with larceny. One was charged with the theft of money from the person of another Chinese, named Leung Wing; while the second defendant was charged with the larceny of playing cards and money. Both were remanded until Monday.

Before Mr. E. W. Hamilton at the Kowloon Magistracy yesterday, the three men who were arrested in connection with an armed robbery at No. 38, Chatham Road, on Tuesday, were remanded until Tuesday next.

Before Lieut.-Commander G. F. Hole, R.N., at the Marine Court yesterday, the master of the steam launch *Lee Ping*, pleaded guilty to failing to observe the rule of the road in the Harbour. He was fined \$10, with the alternative of ten days' hard labour.

At the Marine Court yesterday, before Lieut.-Commander G. F. Hole, R.N., a junk master was fined \$5, or five days' hard labour, in default for being on the outside of five other junks alongside the s.s. *Kitata Maru*.



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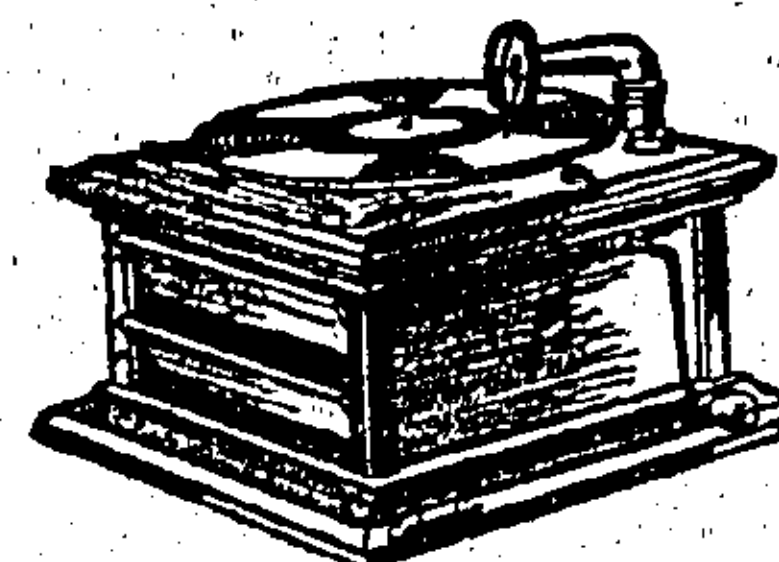
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Hongkong, 24th April, 1925. [2140]

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

PENINSULAR & ORIENTAL STEAM
NAVIGATION CO'S STEAMER
"NAGOYA."

ARRIVED HONGKONG ON 23rd APRIL, 1925.

FROM ANTWERP, LONDON, MALTA,
PORTSAID, COLOMBO AND
STRAITS.

CONSIGNEES of Cargo by the above-
named Vessel are hereby informed
that their Goods are being landed
and placed at 11th wharf in the Hongkong
and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company's
Godowns at Kowloon, where each Consignment
will be sorted out Mark by Mark and delivery
can be obtained as the Goods are landed.
Optional Goods will be landed here unless
Instructions have been given to the
contrary Six hours before Arrival of the Steamer.
Goods not cleared within 8 days, including
date of arrival will be subject to Rent.
No Fire Insurance will be effected by us in
any case whatever.

Damaged Packages must be left in the
Godowns for examination by the Consignees, and
the Company's Surveyors, Messrs. GODDARD
& DOWELL, at 10 a.m. on Mondays and
Thursdays, within the free storage period.
All Claims against the Steamer must be pre-
sented to the Underwriter on or before the
13th May, 1925, or they will not be recognized.
No Claims will be admitted after the Goods
have left the Godowns.

MACKINNON, MACKENZIE & CO.,
Agents.
Hongkong, 23rd April, 1925. [2141]

PRINCE LINE FAR EAST SERVICE.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

FROM NEW YORK.

THE Steamship
"SIBERIAN PRINCE"
having arrived from the above Port on 21st
instant, Consignees of Cargo are hereby in-
formed that their Goods are being landed at
their risk into the Godowns of the Hongkong
and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company,
Limited, Kowloon, and stored at Consignees'
risk and expense.

All broken, chafed and damaged Goods are
to be left in the Godowns, where they will be
examined on Tuesday, 24th instant, at 10 a.m.
All Claims must be presented within 15
days of the Steamer's arrival here, after which
date they cannot be recognized.
No Claims will be admitted after the Goods
have left the Godowns, and all Goods remain-
ing undelivered after the 24th instant, will be
subject to Rent.

Consignees of Cargo are hereby notified
that they must produce an Import permit
signed by the Superintendent of Imports and
Exports, Hongkong, before Bills of Lading can
be counter-signed.
No Fire Insurance has been effected.
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2nd Floor, King's Building,
Canton Road, Hongkong.
Telephone No. 3165.
Hongkong, 21st April, 1925. [2134]

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

"ELLERMAN" LINE.

FROM UNITED KINGDOM AND
CONTINENT.

THE Steamship
"KANSAS"
having arrived, Consignees of Cargo by her
are informed that all Goods are being landed at
their risk into the Godowns of the Hongkong
and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company,
Limited, Kowloon, and stored at Consignees'
risk and expense.
No Claims will be admitted after the Goods
have left the Godowns, and all Goods remain-
ing undelivered after 27th April, 1925, will
be subject to Rent.

All Claims against the Steamer must be pre-
sented to the Underwriter on or before 4th
May, 1925, or they will not be recognized.
All broken, chafed and damaged Goods
are to be left in the Godowns, where they will
be examined on any Tuesday or Friday be-
tween the hours of 10.45 a.m. and Noon, within
the free storage period of one week.
No Fire Insurance has been effected.
Bills of Lading will be counter-signed by
THE BANK LINE LTD.,
General Agents.
Hongkong, 21st April, 1925. [2133]

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INTIMATIONS

CHINA UNDERWRITERS, LIMITED.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT
THE FIRST ORDINARY YEARLY
MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS OF CHINA
UNDERWRITERS, LIMITED, will be held
in the Offices of Messrs. SUEWAI, TOMES &
COMPANY, St. George's Building, Chater Road,
Hongkong, on SATURDAY, the 25th DAY OF
APRIL, 1925, at 11.30 o'clock in the Forenoon,
for the purpose of receiving the Report of the
General Managers and a Statement of Accounts
for the year ending 31st December, 1924, and
of Electing a Consulting Committee and
Auditors.
The REGISTER of SHARES of the Com-
pany will be CLOSED from WEDNESDAY,
April 15th, to SATURDAY, April 25th, both
days inclusive.
By Order of the General Managers,
R. FARRANT,
Manager and Secretary.
Hongkong, 8th April, 1925. [2091]

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THE TWENTY-EIGHTH ORDINARY
ANNUAL MEETING OF SHARE-
HOLDERS in the Company will be held at
the Offices of the Company, "St. George's"
Building, No. 8, CORNHARST ROAD, on MON-
DAY, the 27th APRIL, 1925, at 11.30
O'CLOCK A.M. for the purpose of receiving a
Statement of Accounts and the Report of the
General Managers for the year ended 31st March,
1925, and Electing a Consulting
Committee and Auditors.
The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Com-
pany will be CLOSED from THURSDAY, the
18th APRIL, 1925, until MONDAY, the 27th
APRIL, 1925, both days inclusive.
SHEWAN, TOMES & CO.,
General Managers.
Hongkong, 9th April, 1925. [2092]

THE HONGKONG TUG & LIGHTER
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THE FIRST ORDINARY ANNUAL
MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS in
the above Company will be held at St. George's
Building, Chater Road, Victoria, on THURSDAY,
the 7th MAY, 1925, at 2.30 O'CLOCK
P.M. for the purpose of receiving a Statement
of Accounts and the Report of the General
Managers for the period ended 31st March,
1925, and Electing a Consulting Committee
and Auditors.
The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company
will be CLOSED from MONDAY, the 4th MAY,
1925, until THURSDAY, the 7th MAY, 1925,
both days inclusive.
SHEWAN, TOMES & CO.,
General Managers.
Hongkong, 21st April, 1925. [2135]

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NOTICE.

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SHAREHOLDERS are hereby notified
that the Second and Final Call of \$5 per
Share on Shares of the New Issue is payable
on or before the 1st DAY OF MAY, 1925.
Cheques should be sent addressed to the
Company, together with Certificates of Title
in respect of the First Call, when Fully paid.
Certificates will be issued.
The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company
in respect of the New Issue of Shares will be
CLOSED from WEDNESDAY, the 22nd day of
April, until SATURDAY, the 2nd day of May,
1925 (both days inclusive), during which period
No Transfer of Shares of the New Issue can be
registered.

JOHN D. HUMPHREYS & SON,
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Hongkong, 20th April, 1925. [2096]

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INTIMATIONS

NOTICE.

MR. SYDNEY HAMPDEN ROSS,
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has been admitted a Partner in our Firm:
PERCY SMITH, SETH & FLEMING,
Incorporated Accountants. [2138]

HONGKONG CRICKET CLUB.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT the
following Debentures were Drawn at
the Pavilion on MONDAY, the 20th APRIL,
1925:—
8, 192, 186, 271, 273, 276, 280, 284, 289, 369,
400, 456, 477, 519, 554, 562, 574, 648, 801, 831.
Holders of Drawn Debentures who desire to
be paid on the 30th April, 1925, are requested
to inform the Treasurer, Messrs. PERCY SMITH,
SETH & FLEMING, on or before WEDNES-
DAY, the 29th APRIL, 1925.
AND NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT
the Debentures numbered as above which are
not cashed on the 30th April, 1925, will be
paid on the 31st OCTOBER, 1925, after which
date they will cease to bear interest.
By Order of the Committee,
L. S. GREENHILL,
Hon. Secretary.
Hongkong, 22nd April, 1925. [2138]

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M. FITZ-HENRY

Manager.
Hongkong, 12th July, 1924. [29]

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The Daily Press.

HONGKONG, APRIL 24TH, 1925.

SHANGHAI AND CHILD LABOUR.

When commenting on the brief cable
which announced that the special meet-
ing of ratepayers convened at Shanghai
recently to pass certain by-laws to
regulate the employment of children in
the Settlement area had proved a failure
by reason of the lack of a quorum, we
hazarded the statement that this could
not have been due either to hostility or
pure indifference, but rather to a
prevailing opinion that since everybody
seemed to be agreed on the desirability
of these by-laws their adoption would
be a mere formality having no magnetic
attraction for the average ratepayer in
spite of the appeals which had been made
by the Municipal Council, large employers
of labour and the philanthropic agencies
to induce the fullest possible attendance
of ratepayers. We gather, however, from
statements in our Shanghai contemporaries
that there had been a great deal
of private lobbying against the proposed
by-laws, in some cases, it is said by
persons who are not even ratepayers.
Even so, we should have thought the
very fact that the by-laws encountered
hostility in some quarters would have
stimulated interest among the general
body of ratepayers, but the N.C. Daily
News says, on the contrary, that "pro-
bably not a few voters decided that the
best way to block the by-law was simply
to stop away." If that is the case, they
will probably discover that what they
have done will serve only to direct the
limelight upon themselves. There is a
natural curiosity to learn who were the
people who deliberately remained away
from the meeting in order to defeat the
intended legislation? We are told by
the leading journal of Shanghai that good
deal of speculation was heard after the
meeting as to which section of the com-
munity was to blame, and a good deal
of it was undoubtedly unfair. "We have
no wish to discuss this," says the paper,

"but it seems proper to say that alto-
gether exaggerated ideas are held of
the importance of the Japanese vote in
Shanghai. Out of some 2,000 ratepayers
qualified to vote, only about 280 are
Japanese, and of these there was certainly
a fair proportion in the hall yesterday."
Whatever the true reason for the failure
may be, it certainly is impossible to
exaggerate the regret that will be felt
by everybody interested in the subject
of Child Labour that a quorum could not
be obtained for the meeting. We agree
with our Shanghai contemporaries who
express the opinion that it would have
been far better that the by-law should
have been rejected after discussion
than that the outside world should
have been given the idea that
Shanghai is indifferent to a matter
of profound concern to humanity.
Fortunately, the convening of the meet-
ing served to produce not only from the
Municipal Council itself, but from a con-
siderable number of the large employers
of labour, representing various national-
ities, public declarations approving the
proposed by-law, and appealing to rate-
payers to enact it, and it may reasonably
be concluded that although this proposed
by-law has no legal force in the Settle-
ment, since it has not received the sanc-
tion of the general body of ratepayers,
every effort will be made nevertheless
by the factory owners who have publicly
declared their approval of it, to give it
force and effect in the establishments
under their control.

The Hon. Mr. E. S. Ho, C.M.G.,

has returned to Singapore from leave
and resumed his duties as Colonial
Secretary.

The return of notifiable diseases in
the Colony for the 24 hours ended on
April 22nd, shows 1 case each of small-
pox and diphtheria, both Chinese.

An Indian constable who went on duty
in the Central District on Wednesday
night, has been reported to headquarters
as being missing. There is reason to
believe that the man is hiding in the
Colony.

The Marine Court of Enquiry to be
held this morning at the Harbour Office
into the alleged misconduct of a ship's
engineer, will consist of Lieut.-Comdr.
G. F. Hole, R.N. (President), Comdr.
S. T. Thomas, R.N., and Messrs. T.
Croft, T. Tucker and W. Christie.

Mr. J. R. George, agent of the Char-
tered Bank, Kuala Lumpur, is going
on transfer to Singapore, to take charge
of the office there. His place at Kuala
Lumpur is being taken by Mr. W.
McCulloch, from the Ipoh branch, which
will be controlled by Mr. K. R. Coullie,
arriving from London.

A Chinese employed by Messrs. A. S.
Watson & Co., Ltd., met with a nasty
accident yesterday morning. He was
riding a motor-cycle in Queen's Road
East, when he collided with a motor-jerry.
He was thrown from his machine, and
sustained a broken leg, which necessitated
his removal to hospital. The bicycle
was badly damaged.

FAR EASTERN CABLE
NEWS.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

SHANGHAI MUNICIPALITY.

MR. FESSENDEN RE-ELECTED AS
CHAIRMAN.

SHANGHAI, April 23rd.

Mr. Stirling Fessenden has been re-
elected Chairman of the Municipal
Council. Mr. P. W. Massey has been
chosen as Vice-Chairman.

JAPAN AND SOVIET.

AMBASSADOR TO MOSCOW IS
APPOINTED.

TOKYO, April 23rd.

An authoritative source states that
Mr. Tokichi Tanaka, former Vice-
Minister of Foreign Affairs, is formally
to be appointed Ambassador to Moscow
shortly.

Mr. Yoshizawa, Minister to Peking,
was to have received the appointment,
but, owing to indisposition from an ac-
cident last winter, he is unable to take
the post.

As the Soviet Ambassador is due in
Tokyo on Saturday, the Japanese press
has been urging the Government to hurry
the appointment of an Ambassador to
Moscow.

POLITICAL SITUATION
IN CHINA.

[FROM THE "DAILY BULLETIN."]

ADVISORY COUNCIL.

PEKING IS EXPECTED SOON TO
MAKE APPOINTMENTS.

PEKING, April 23rd.

A mandate is expected very shortly,
announcing the convocation of a provi-
sional Advisory Council, and appointing
Mr. Chao Ehr Hsun as Chairman and
Mr. Tang Yi Vice-Chairman.

Preparations for calling the national
delegates to the conference have been
entrusted to Mr. Hsu Shih Ying.
"Mr. Chao Ehr Hsun and Mr. Tang Yi
held similar posts in the Reorganisation
Conference; and it is believed the Ad-
visory Council will not differ largely
therefrom.

[FROM THE "DAILY BULLETIN."]

GOLD FRAME QUESTION.

THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE EXPLAINS
THE SETTLEMENT.

PEKING, April 22nd.

A circular telegram sent to the pro-
vinces yesterday by the Chief Executive
Tuan Chi Jui explaining the gold frame
settlement, and now published by Tuan
Chi Jui, points out that China, which
had been unable to obtain the full benefit
of the Washington Conference, lost
\$24,000,000 annually owing to the French
refusal to ratify the Treaty, a question
having arisen over the method of pay-
ment of the Boxer Indemnity. This was
due to the French refusal to adopt the
method of telegraphic transfer and their
insistence on payment in gold currency.
During Tiao Kun's regime, a settlement
was proposed, but Tuan Chi Jui opposed
it, as Tiao Kun's only aim was to use
the money for prolonging the military
strife. If the matter had been concluded
at that time, China would have lost the
benefit of the provision regarding pay-
ment by telegraphic transfer, and this
might have led to international dis-
putes.

THE ONLY WAY.

The Chief Executive declares that the
only way to meet the situation arising
from China's international financial
obligations is to secure the fruition of
the Washington Conference decisions. At
an interview with the French Minis-
ter he emphatically urged that the agree-
ment in regard to the holding of a special
Tariff Conference be ratified as soon
as possible, and that the gold-frame
question be separately considered. As
the result of further negotiations, the
French Minister at length agreed to tele-
graph home and request ratification of
the treaty. Later, the Waichiaopu and
the French Minister took up the gold
frame question, a draft agreement being
eventually referred to a technical ex-
pert committee designated by the Finance
Ministry and to the Ministry of Justice,
both of whom approved. A most im-
portant point, according to Tuan Chi Jui,
is that the French Government formally
agrees to the remission of the indemnity
and formally recognises the principle of
telegraphic transfer.

CABLES.

LATEST CABLES.
[INTERCOMMUNICATIONS AGENCY.]ZEEBRUGGE ANNIVERSARY.
ANGLO-BELGIAN CELEBRATIONS
IN COMMEMORATION.

MEMORIAL UNVEILED.

Zeebrugge, April 23rd.
In cloudy, threatening weather H.M.S. cruiser *Caledon*, bringing 250 heroes of the historic attack, arrived at 10.30 a.m. from Dover. Salutes were exchanged with the batteries ashore and the ships in the harbour.

There was an imposing scene round the Memorial, which is a seventy-foot granite column, surmounted by figures of St. George and the Dragon, inscribed "St. George for England."

A large force of Belgian troops, wearing tin helmets, and Belgian blue-jackets were drawn up on each side.

The King and Queen of the Belgians immediately they arrived from Brussels laid a wreath, inscribed "Albert and Elisabeth" at the foot of the monument.

KING ALBERT'S SPEECH.

After unveiling the Memorial, H.M. King Albert, speaking first in French, then in English, paid homage to the incomparable heroes, whose feat of arms will rank among the highest in the records of the British Navy.

THE CHAIRMAN'S REPLY.

Lord Emmott, Chairman of the Zeebrugge Memorial Fund, in replying, mentioned that the Memorial had been erected by the joint efforts of Belgian and British donors, including the inhabitants of the British Dominions and possessions overseas, who were among the most numerous contributors.

There was a heavy rain-storm during the ceremony and speeches.

EARLIER CABLES.

DISTINGUISHED VISITORS.

Bacres, April 22nd.
The arrival of a distinguished party from England, including Sir Roger J. B. and Lady Keyes, Earl and Countess of Cavan, Sir Fabian and Lady Ware, and Lord Burnham, marks the beginning of several days' demonstrations, the central item of which is that King Albert, tomorrow, will unveil an imposing memorial at Zeebrugge on the anniversary of the attack on the Mole by H.M.S. *Vindictive*.

LATEST CABLES.

RETURN TO GOLD.

INTERESTING VIEWS OF SWEDISH PROFESSOR.

London, April 23rd.
The *Times* City Editor says the rise in sterling is attributed to the foreign exchange market to the expectation that Mr. Winston Churchill (Chancellor of the Exchequer) in the budget will announce Government's decision not to renew the embargo on gold exports, expiring at the end of the year.

Some members of the market appear most confident that the announcement of such decision will be followed by a rise in the rate above parity.

Sweden returned to the gold standard over a year ago; her experience, therefore, is unusually interesting. Professor Gustav Cassel, the eminent Swedish economist, concluding a review of the situation, says that many countries hesitated to restore the gold-standard-fearing they thereby might be exposed to enormous gold demands. Sweden's experience shows that certain extraordinary gold demands occurred in 1924, but there is no reason why they should continue. All demands were supplied liberally from the United States. It is always possible to preserve a gold reserve in a country, which has returned to the gold standard, by the relatively simple device of keeping the currency a trifle above parity.

Gold cannot in anywise be said in Sweden to have been exposed to such difficulties by the restoration of the gold standard as reasonably to deter, by her experience, any other country following suit.

EARLIER CABLES.

IRISH FREE STATE.

REDUCTION OF INCOME-TAX PROVIDED IN BUDGET.

London, April 22nd.

The Irish Free State Budget provides for a reduction of the income-tax to 4, and abolishes the duty on tea, cocoa, coffee and chicory and the Imperial Preference on sugar.

LATEST CABLES.

SUBSIDY FOR SUGAR.

London, April 23rd.

The Finance Minister, in the Dail, said that the subsidy in respect of the beet sugar industry would average 2½ per cent. It was conditional on payment to the growers for the first 3 years of the decade at 54/- a ton.

EFFECTIVE ON MAY 6TH.

Various remissions in the Irish customs duties will become effective on May 6th.

The sugar duty is reduced to a flat rate of a penny per lb. The Finance Minister stated that the Government had accepted proposals by a Belgian group whereby the Government will aid the establishment of the beet sugar industry by means of a remission in the excise duties, or a subsidy of £1,000,000 for a decade. If the experiment failed the loss would fall on the company, which is putting up the capital.

UNDER SOVIET RULE.

MANY PRISONERS BENEFIT BY AMNESTY.

Moscow, April 23rd.

The Rosta News Agency states that in accordance with the amnesty, promulgated by the Central Executive Committee of the Soviet Union, 110 prisoners have been liberated at Tiflis. Hitherto 150 have had their term of imprisonment halved. Corresponding figures for Kutais are 91 released and 50 terms of imprisonment reduced by half.

CROPS IN RUSSIA.

PROSPECTS FOR HARVEST ARE QUITE HOPEFUL.

Moscow, April 23rd.

It is officially announced that there is no justification for the fears that the winter sowings in some districts will be destroyed. The crops everywhere are satisfactory, except in some places on the Lower Volga. Farmers are showing a tendency considerably to increase Spring sowings compared to last year.

EARLIER CABLES.

IRISH PRISONERS.

JUDGMENT IN TEST CASE OF MAGUIRE.

London, April 22nd.

Lord Chief Justice Hewart, in giving judgment, expressed the opinion that the provisions of the Penal Servitude Act made it clear that Maguire's detention at Maidstone is lawful.

[A cable on Wednesday stated: After two days' hearing in the King's Bench division, the Court discharged the rule nisi for a habeas corpus on behalf of Maguire, mentioned on March 30th. The cable of March 30th read: The first step in a test case affecting numerous Irishmen imprisoned in English jails, was taken in the King's Bench division, Mr. Slesser applying for a writ of habeas corpus in connection with Maguire, sentenced to four years' penal servitude at Belfast in 1923, and now incarcerated at Maidstone. He said the justice of the conviction was unquestioned, but the issue raised was whether a person convicted in Ireland could legally be imprisoned in England. The writ was granted, and will be argued at the beginning of the next session.]

LONDON MISSIONARY SOCIETY.

HEAVY DEFICIT SHOWN ON LAST YEAR'S BUDGET.

London, April 22nd.

The high Far Eastern exchange and the heavy costs of ocean passages for missionaries are among the causes for a deficit of £20,000 in last year's operations of the London Missionary Society. Similar deficits have resulted annually during the previous two years. The income last year totalled £130,000, and the Society is budgeting for an income of £160,000 next year.

BULGARIA'S ARMY.

AMBASSADORS GIVE LEAVE FOR INCREASE.

Paris, April 22nd.

The Conference of Ambassadors has granted Bulgaria permission to increase her army to 10,000, until the end of May.

LATEST CABLES.

POLITICS IN FRANCE.

STORMY SCENES IN CHAMBER AT M. HERRIOT'S ELECTION.

M. BALANANT IS ASSAULTED.

Paris, April 23rd.

There were stormy scenes in the Chamber of Deputies on the occasion of the election of M. Herriot as President. The whole Opposition abstained from voting at the first ballot with the result that no quorum was obtained. The Left Party were annoyed by this manoeuvre; and when the second ballot was taken an uproar was aroused by the action of the Rightist, M. Balanant, who placed himself in a position to overlook the counting of the votes by the secretaries.

A Socialist Deputy objected, but M. Balanant refused to budge. Several Socialists rushed at him and began to punch his head; the Rightist Deputies rushed to the rescue and for some minutes there was a regular mêlée round the steps of the tribune, where he was standing. The sitting was suspended; but on the resumption there were violent altercations between the Socialists and Rightists before M. Herriot was eventually elected.

EARLIER CABLES.

NOTION OF CONFIDENCE.

Paris, April 22nd.

A significant fact in last evening's motion of confidence was that it did not mention the Ministerial declaration, which therefore has not yet been put to the test. The situation remains somewhat precarious, since, though the composition of the Government is *Castellist*, its policy is too moderate to suit the bulk of the Left Group, especially the Socialists, who are chagrined over the abandonment of M. Herriot's policy as regards Alsace-Lorraine, the Vatican, the reduction in military service and a capital levy. On the other hand, the declaration goes far to meet the views of the Opposition, who, however, do not forgive the inclusion of M. Caillaux. Hence the Chamber is divided into a majority group, which supports the Government but disagrees with its policy, and a minority group, which approves the programme but refuses to repose confidence in the Government.

M. Herriot was elected President of the Chamber of Deputies by 266 votes to 1.

LEGATION AT BANGKOK.

Paris, April 22nd.

The Chamber Committee for Foreign Affairs declared for the reinstatement of the French Legation at Bangkok—*Huon*.

MANCHESTER COTTON.

CONFERENCE NOT PESSIMISTIC REGARDING FUTURE.

London, April 22nd.

At the conclusion of the Cotton Conference at Manchester, which convened on April 3rd, a permanent committee of employers and organisations in the cotton trade was appointed. The question of inviting other organisations to participate in its deliberations was deferred. There is no question of an immediate reduction in prices, and the meeting was not pessimistic regarding the future. It is hoped that by co-operative study and untold action Lancashire will remain the permanent source of supply for the world's best cotton goods.

[A cable dated April 3rd, read: A private conference of employers in all branches of the cotton industry has been held at Manchester to consider the serious position of the industry after three years of trade depression. The conference is the result of a suggestion by a special committee of the Federation of Master Cottonspinners, who pointed out that the spinners and weavers have borne the heaviest share of the losses, amounting to many millions sterling, and the time has arrived when subsidiary trades should co-operate to reduce the costs of production and help to bring Lancashire yarn cloth again within the reach of the poor population in tropical countries.]

BRITAIN AND RUSSIA.

TRADE UNION CONGRESS RATIFIES RECOMMENDATIONS.

London, April 22nd.

The general council of the Trade Union Congress ratified the conclusions and recommendations of the Anglo-Russian Conference.

Further steps which the council may propose with the object of calling an international conference to secure a united front by the European trade unions require the endorsement of the Trade Union Congress, which meets at Scarborough in September.

GERMAN "CHEKA"

THREE RINGLEADERS SENTENCED TO DEATH.

Lipsitz, April 22nd.

Three ringleaders of the so-called German *cheka*, including the Russian General Skolewski, were sentenced to death, and the others to terms of imprisonment varying from 15 years to six months.

[A Leipzig cable of February 11th read: Remarkable allegations were made in the course of the trial for high treason of 18 Communists including a General of the Russian Red Army, to the effect that agents of Soviet Russia had endeavoured to start a Bolshevik *cheka* in Germany. Neumann, an ex-official of the Communist party, whom the Communists declared to be a spy, deposed that a revolutionary military committee was formed in Germany in 1923 to purchase weapons with money supplied by the Russian Embassy at Berlin. He alleged that he himself once received \$25,000 for this purpose. He also alleged that he had received instructions to get rid of General von Seeckt, the late Hugo Stinnes and other prominent industrialists. Neumann stated that a meeting of the Communist leaders in 1923 planned an armed outbreak, including a march on Berlin, in which several Reichstag Deputies were implicated. Neumann added that in accordance with instructions he obtained phials of typhus and dysentery bacilli for use in food.]

FOOTBALL AT HOME.

NAVY WINS CHAMPIONSHIP OF SERVICES.

London, April 22nd.

At Portsmouth, in the inter-Services Association football championship final between the Navy and Marines and the Army, the result was a draw of two goals each.

The Navy thus wins the championship, having already defeated the Army.

RESULTS IN LEAGUE.

London, April 22nd.

In the first division of the league, Bolton beat Blackburn by 6-2. In the second division, Manchester United drew with Southampton 1-1; Blackpool defeated Port Vale by 4-1.

In the Southern section, Bournemouth lost to Queen's Park 0-1; Liverpool defeated Durham 1-0; Accrington beat Tranmere 2-1.

In the Scottish League, division I, Kilmarnock defeated St. Johnstone by 4-0; Airdrieonians and Dundee played a draw of 1-1.

LATEST CABLES.

U.S.A. COASTAL LAWS.

OWNERS OF BRITISH VESSEL FINED FOR VIOLATION.

Washington, April 22nd.

The Department of Commerce has fined the owners of the British steamer *Val de Loire* \$325,000, for violating coastwise law, by taking 550 American passengers from Philadelphia to Nova Scotia and bringing them back with a stop at Boston. The offence was committed in July last.

EARLIER CABLES.

THE CHESTER CONCESSIONS.

TURKEY ACCEPTS THE OFFER FROM BRITISH SYNDICATE.

New York, April 22nd.

The directors of the Ottoman American Development Company officially announce their acceptance of an offer from an English syndicate to take over the so-called Chester Concessions in Turkey including railway, oil, mining and other concessions, valued at \$100,000,000.

SINGAPORE JUDGE AND WIG.

WHY HE INTRODUCED THE CUSTOM AT SINGAPORE.

In the course of a reply to tributes from the Bar of the Straits Settlements Sir Walter Shaw, Chief Justice, who is retiring after nearly twenty years in the British Colonial judicial service, remarked:

"During nearly twenty years of service on the Bench I have been a member of the Bench in 5 colonies, and a member of the courts of appeal of 7 colonies and 2 protected states. I have met various codes of law, various peoples, and various languages, and I have had gentlemen practising before me of many races; but I am glad to say that I have always found the Bench and Bar following the traditions of the great parent bodies—the Bench and Bar of England."

"When I first came here you were inclined to smile, and perhaps some of you were inclined to resent the custom I introduced of wearing my wig in court—a custom which is invariably adopted in those colonies where the Bench is recruited entirely from the English practising bar. I did so, not because I have any desire to attire myself in fancy costume, or because I wished to give myself any special personal importance, but because I think that it tends to remind, not only the public and the Bar, but even the judge himself, that he is a representative of that very illustrious body of men—the English judges, who have done so much to establish and maintain the freedom of the English people. I feel confident that when, at some far future date, the history of the British Empire comes to be written, one of its chief claims to merit will be held to be that it has spread to great quarters of the world those great principles of the English common law and equity that have been the outcome of the experience and wisdom of so many generations of British judges."

AMATEUR BOXING.

PRELIMINARY BOUTS START AT V.R.C.

Some vigorous and exciting bouts marked the opening of the Amateur Boxing tournament at the Victoria Recreation Club yesterday evening. The bouts will be continued to-night and to-morrow night. Amongst the patrons are H.E. the Governor (Sir R. E. Stubbs), K.C.M.G.; H.E. Major-General C. C. Luard, C.B., C.M.G.; His Honour Sir Henry Gollan, Kt., C.M.G.; Commodore A. J. B. Stirling, C.B., and Lieut.-Colonel Montague Bates, C.B., C.M.G., D.S.O.

H.E. Sir R. E. Stubbs, K.C.M.G., is President of the Association and the Hon. Sir Claud Severn, K.B.E., C.M.G., Chairman. Mr. R. C. Wichey is M.C. The attendance was large. The results were as follows, all the bouts being three-two-minute rounds:—

Bantamweights (Boys).—The programme opened with the Boys' Bantamweights, when R. H. Ramsay, G.S. (4 lbs.) met E. Gosano (50 lbs.), St. Joseph's. The fight was a spirited one with Ramsay on the whole the aggressor, but Gosano defended well. Ramsay was given the decision.

F. Fowler (64 lbs.), K.B.S., v. D. Dillon (37 lbs.) G.S. As seen by the weights, Fowler was much the heavier and he was also the taller, but little Dillon dodged wonderfully, and fought back well. Fowler won narrowly on points.

J. Remedios (65 lbs.), St. Joseph's, v. R. Wood (64 lbs.), K.B.S. Wood was the aggressor for the most part, but his swings were wild and erratic. If the Portuguese boy had only taken advantage of his opponent's discomfiture before the end of each round he would undoubtedly have won. The decision was given to Wood.

J. Dillon (64 lbs.), St. Joseph's, v. A. Kelly (64 lbs.), K.B.S. A fine fight in which there was some good amount of scientific boxing. The aggressive part was about equal but Dillon was the surer hitter and defender. Dillon won.

Bantamweights (Men).—H. Major (8 st. 4 lbs.), Hongkong, v. Pte. de Gay (8 st. 4 lbs.), H.M.S. *Durban*. In the first round, Major was the more aggressive and at the end of the round he had his opponent groggy. Wood having been floored with a heavy body blow. In the second round, the fight was waged evenly. The third round began with Gay bleeding from the mouth from an upper cut. Gay in this round missed badly. Major won.

Boy Fleming (7 st. 11 lbs.), H.M.S. *Brisbane*, v. Pte. Fox (7 st. 11 lbs.), R.A.M.C. "Just as the round began, Fox's eye was badly cut by Fleming's right, and this incapacitated him a great right, and he fought gamely. In the second round the fight was fairly even, with Fleming slightly superior though on a few occasions he too, missed badly. In the third round Fleming was easily the chief aggressor and led beautifully with his left, shaking his opponent occasionally with his right. In the middle of the round he punished his opponent badly on the ropes. Fleming won.

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S. Caro (112 lbs.), St. Joseph's College, v. A. Randall (113 lbs.), D.B.S. Although Caro often shook his opponent with his swift left he received heavy body punishment in the second round. Randall was the more scientific and vigorous and continually rushed in, using both hands to advantage on the body. If Caro had been more aggressive, the decision might have been different. As it was Randall won.

K. Ram (112 lbs.), D.B.S., v. S. Berengo (112 lbs.), St. Joseph's. This was easily the wildest fight seen during the night. Both boys rushed at each other like wild bulls pummeling each other unmercifully. Ram, being conspicuous with heavy rights. He had his opponent knocked nearly out of the ring when all of a sudden, his opponent floored him with a heavy blow to the body. He did not rise at the count of ten. Ram was unfortunate to lose, though full credit must be given Berengo for his good blow.

R. Ribeiro (101 lbs.), St. Joseph's, v. W. Cunningham (113 lbs.), D.B.S. This too, was a "hammer and tongs" fight with the contest somewhat even in the first round. In the second round, Ribeiro was superior and his opponent fell back before his "force onslaughts." So too in the third round Cunningham was the aggressor and won easily.

Lightweights (Men).—H. Massey (7½ lbs.), G.S., v. S. Christie (68 lbs.), D.B.S. Massey with his science and perseverance was superior to his opponent; though he was shaken twice with straight lefts, Christie was the heavier hitter, but Massey was the scientist. This had gave one of the best exhibitions of the evening, and was continually applauded.

J. Gourley (75 lbs.), G.S., v. C. Ligores (75 lbs.), St. Joseph's. After the previous fine bout this was rather tame, but Ligores' beautiful left jab continually found Gourley's chin. This won him the fight.

Lightweights (Men).—A. B. Quinn (8 st. 0 lbs.), H.M.S. *Brisbane*, v. Pte. F. Cooper (9 st. 4 lbs.), East Surrey. Quinn floored his opponent five times, but for four times his opponent rose. The fifth time he failed to rise. It was a short grueling contest, Cooper being wonderfully game to the end.

J. Kopp (9 st. 12 lbs.), Hongkong, v. C. B. Quidderton (9 st. 4 lbs.), H.M.S. *Brisbane*. The first round was fiercely contested with the sailor superior, his opponent, however, defended ably. The sailor was also superior in the second round, and severely punished his rival in the third. He won easily on points.

G. B. Russell (10 st.), V.R.C. The first round was evenly contested. Stewart was seen to advantage in the second round with straight lefts, Russell being rather erratic. He also missed badly in the third round. Stewart won.

Sig. Rogers (9 st. 11 lbs.), H.M.S. *Tamar*, v. Stoker Brown (9 st. 10 lbs.), H.M.S. *Hawkins*. Both men, boxed vigorously in the first round, Rogers being the cleaner and heavier hitter. In the second round, Rogers punished his opponent severely with heavy blows to the head and body. At the end of the round, Brown was all but done. In the third round, Brown was down for a count of eight and was so severely shaken that the referee stopped the fight.

Ld. Seaman Kirk (9 st. 11 lbs.), H.M.S. *Hawkins*, v. A. B. Easterling (9 st. 11 lbs.), H.M.S. *Goala*. A fierce first round saw Easterling superior. The position was reversed in the second round, for though Easterling began well, Kirk had the better of the heavy exchanges. After a grueling final round, Kirk was adjudged the winner.

Featherweights, Men.—Gr. Bowles (8 st. 13 lbs.), East Surrey, v. J. L. Lew (7½ lbs.), Hongkong. In the first round, Lew continually found Bowles' chin with his left. In the second round, Bowles rushed his man and knocked him out with a hard right to the jaw.

Stoker Goldie (8 st. 12½ lbs.), H.M.S. *Brisbane*, v. Stoker Lee (8 st. 11 lbs.), H.M.S. *Hawkins*. The first round was fiercely fought, each man in turn getting in heavy blows. The second was a repetition of the first, each boxer being severely shaken occasionally. In the third round Goldie was nearly floored with a heavy right. Lee won narrowly on points.

T. L. Johnstone (9 st.), H.M.S. *Durban*, v. Seaman Codnor (8 st. 11 lbs.), H.M.S. *Carlisle*. This pair fought three fierce rounds, with Codnor superior, but Johnstone put up a game fight and got home some heavy blows in the third round. Codnor won.

Welterweights, Men.—A. B. Ringham (10 st. 1 lb.), H.M.S. *Brisbane*, v. Pte. Man (10 st. 1 lb.), East Surrey. Man gave in before the end of the first round, having been terribly punished by his opponent.

Ord. Seaman Morgan (10 st. 4 lbs.), H.M.S. *Brisbane*, v. Marine Fordham (10 st. 14 lbs.), H.M.S. *Carlisle*. Both received severe punishment fairly equal round, with the honour fairly equal. The second round was much fiercer, each man giving and taking punishment continually. The third round was a "hammer and tongs affair." Morgan being very weak at the end and at the mercy of his opponent, Fordham won.

Ldg. Tel. Roberts (10 st. 3 lbs.), H.M.S. *Carlisle*, v. A. B. Faulkner (10 st. 11 lbs.), H.M.S. *Hawkins*. In the first round, Roberts had the better of the exchanges, and continued to hold the advantage in the second round, though he was once nearly shaken by a right to the ear. The third round saw Faulkner to advantage and he got the decision.

Middleweights, Men.—Gr. Jordan (10 st. 10 lbs.), R.G.A., v

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EARLY LIFE OF EDWARD VII. GENUINE LOVE FOR DOGS AND HORSES.

Although it leaves off at the point which is after all of most interest—that which concerns his career as ruler of the British Empire—the first volume of Sir Sidney Lee's biography of King Edward VII. is a book of absorbing interest. It was at the request of King George that the work was undertaken, and it is based on documents in the Royal archives to which full access was given the author, and on collections of letters addressed by King Edward to personal friends and people of prominence in the official life of the country.

As the author points out in his preface, the investigations which he pursued into the career of the late King developed a faith in the generosity of his disposition as well as in his shrewdness of judgment, and from the portrait which Sir Sidney has drawn shows a signally humane, human, any many-sided personality very rare among princes.

QUEEN VICTORIA'S HAPPINESS.
The volume is strikingly illustrated in photogravure by Emery Walker, and the two facsimile autograph letters dated 1860 and 1860, respectively, the first of which was written by him to his mother, Queen Victoria, when he was making his first voyage across the Atlantic to Canada and the United States, and the second to Sir Frank Lascelles, the British Ambassador at Berlin. Much character is revealed in handwriting, and the passage of years can well be read in these two letters.

King Edward was born at Buckingham Palace on November 9th, 1841, in the heart of the great London which he loved all through his life. In the next issue of "Punch" there appeared this stanza:—

Haiza, we have a Prince at last,
A roaring Royal boy.
And all day long the booming bells
Have rung their peals of joy.

The happiness of Queen Victoria in the birth of a son was abundantly revealed in the words which she wrote in her journal. "O how happy, how grateful did I feel to that Almighty Providence who has blessed me so peculiarly," she wrote, "and she reiterated with widely adoring hope that in career and character her son should be a copy of his father. This was emphasized in her decision that he should be called Albert Edward, and was unimpaired by Lord Melbourne's hint that the names might be reversed. Always in the family circle, however, King Edward was called "Bertie," and in his letters to his kindred he invariably used that signature. When he was baptized, the Queen wrote to the King of the Belgians how "perfectly and splendidly everything went off. Nothing could have done better, and little Albert (what a pleasure that he has that dearest name) behaved so well."

NURSERY DAYS.
Sir Sidney has drawn a pretty picture of the future King's nursery days. Before he was five he had the company of three sisters and a brother, and between them there was a "cherished affection, warmly reciprocated." There were many foreign influences surrounding his childhood, but there was only one to which the Prince never quite reconciled himself. That was the solemn figure of Baron Stockmar, his father's former tutor and present mentor. In matters touching the Prince's upbringing he was the Royal parents' "first and last court of appeal." The Prince's faculty for languages developed early, for German as well as English was habitual in the Royal nursery, and from babyhood the Prince's speech was bilingual. Although Buckingham Palace and Windsor Castle were the chief homes of the Prince's infancy many migrations to other parts of the country, and great popular enthusiasm greeted the boy in sailor's costume wherever the Royal yacht touched land.

TRAINING FOR KINGSHIP.
The Prince's training for kingship started at the age of seven, when he was taken from the nursery and given over to the exclusive care of a tutor. It is of interest to note that, though in after life the Prince disliked solitude and was never happier than when he had a congenial companion, "probably among the many defects in the Prince's regimen the greatest was his isolation from boys of his own age other than his brothers and the foreign cousins who were from time to time his parents' guests." The genuine love for horses and dogs which was so manifest in later years started with early boyhood for the Prince was barely six when his pony bolted with him. "He faced the peril with surprising courage," which foretold a future characteristic.

The Indian Mutiny and the Crimean War were historic episodes of the Prince's boyhood, which left a deep impression. His first visit to France in 1865 was an event which stamped itself forcibly on his mind, and probably started that love for the country and the French capital which was so pronounced in later years. It was two years after this that Lord Palmerston said: "In an alliance with France we are riding a runaway horse, and must always be on our guard." To the change which came over that English conception of French constancy the Prince was to make a conspicuous contribution.

On his eighteenth birthday there was delivered to the Prince "a document signed by both parents abounding in sage counsel and rather delusive promises of personal liberty, and the author tells us that 'the moving words brought floods of tears to the boy's eyes.'"

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DEMAND FOR EQUALITY.

CHANGING STATUS OF WOMEN
THROUGHOUT THE WORLD.

Miss Alice Paul, of Washington, a leader of the American women's movement, has come to England to further a feminist movement which may revolutionize the status of women throughout the world, says the *Daily News*.

Miss Paul, who is vice-president of the United States National Women's Party and a member of the Society of Friends, is so gentle in speech and manner that it is with surprise one learns that she has suffered two terms of imprisonment for her work on behalf of the cause.

"These are the least important events in my life," she told a *Daily News* representative. "The first was over here. I went to Holloway for a month for taking part in a deputation to the Houses of Parliament. Perhaps some may say that as an American I should get more interference, but I was educated over here, at Woodbrook Settlement, near Birmingham, at Birmingham University, and at the London School of Economics, and I joined in the deputation because I was asked to do so. The second time it happened in America, before we had won the suffrage."

What really matters is our ideal to form a World Committee of women interested in obtaining equal rights for men and women the world over. We hope to make the United States the garden plot of the world, so far as women are concerned.

In the Capitol at Washington you see a statue to the memory of a great American Quakeress, Lucretia Mott, who in 1848 called at Seneca Falls the first conference to demand equal rights for women and men. Her programme, which is now known as the Mott amendment, was this: "Men and women shall have equal rights throughout the United States and every place subject to its jurisdiction."

"That is our programme to-day, and it applies with equal force to the women of all countries. I am one of her followers, trying to carry out her ideals. I have been in France, where I found the women leaders sympathetic towards the idea of international relationship between the women of all countries on this question, and here in England I have found the same attitude. I have spoken with some of your leading women, such as Lady Rhonda, Lady Astor, Mrs. Pethick Lawrence, and Mrs. Corbett Ashby, and before I return to the States I intend to visit Holland and the Scandinavian countries to obtain the views of the women leaders there."

Although the Prince clamoured for Aldershot, Oxford was to be the next part of his training. The author recalls an interesting incident which required a stout nerve, which occurred at the Edinburgh University, where the Prince was studying science under Dr. Lyon Playfair. The professor, after washing the Prince's hand thoroughly in ammonia invited him to place it in boiling metal and ladle out some of it. The Prince instantly did so.

A BREAK FROM TRADITION.
"Although," continues Sir Sidney, "the Queen and Prince Consort wished their son at Oxford to confine his athletic attentions to tennis and racquets, and deprecated hunting as an encroachment on study, the governor suffered him occasionally to ride to hounds. The Prince found means of breaking away at times from gubernatorial strings. Smoking was strictly prohibited by his guardian, but he succeeded in making surreptitious experiment in the company of fellow-undergraduates, and he thus formed the lifelong habit of a free indulgence in tobacco."

It was during the long vacation of 1860 that the Prince "was to tread a larger stage than any before." There was to be a striking expansion of schemes of foreign travel. For the first time in history the Heir to the English Throne was to cross the Atlantic, and to visit not only the oldest of England's overseas settlements, but also the American Republic.

The visit to Canada inspired the Prince at an early age with the Colonial sense of Empire. The first of the two facsimile letters referred to was written at sea, on the voyage across the Atlantic, and was brought home *via* Plymouth. Writing again from Newfoundland, he informed his mother that he had received fourteen addresses. "Rather a large number for the first time," he added.

THE PRINCE AND KINGSLY.
The Prince came home in H.M.S. *Heron*, and before she sighted Plymouth she had been well buffeted by the storms of the Atlantic. Of this over-long voyage home the author writes:—The absence of news caused the Queen and her people much anxiety, and the enthusiasm of the crowds which welcomed the Prince's disembarkation at Plymouth bore witness to the public relief at the safe termination of the expedition.

The political influence of the tour was significant, and created great faith in influential circles on the other side of the Atlantic.

The Prince's most attractive experience at Cambridge University, to which he then went, was his association with the Professor of Modern History, Charles Kingsley, the popular novelist and broad-minded social reformer, and the writer tells us that "a strong mutual affection developed between Kingsley and his pupil. When Kingsley died in January, 1875, his eldest daughter wrote to the Prince: 'Next to his own children I can truly say there was no human being my father loved as he did you.'"

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TRILBOER	JAPAN	26th Apr	25th "	JAPAN via MAKASSAR
TRILABER	BATAVIA	26th "	30th "	SHANGHAI
TRILABER	JAVA via M'BAR & MANILA	26th "	1st May	JAPAN via YOKOHAMA
TRILABER	CURA via SHAI	2nd May	"	BATAVIA
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M/S. "Java"	11th May	18th May
M/S. "Africa"	20th May	16th June
M/S. "Peru"	16th June	20th July
M/S. "Malaya"	16th July	"
M/S. "Tongking"	20th August	"
M/S. "Australia"	25th September	"
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CHANGING COAL INTO OIL—IMPORTANT GERMAN PROCESSES DESCRIBED.

An engineering correspondent, writing to *The Times* from Hamburg says:—Professor Frank, of Essen, has been reviewing the position of the different processes that have been devised with the object of converting coal, lignite, and peat into liquid fuel for oil engines, and has referred in particular to two processes—one that of Professor Bergius, of Mannheim-Rheinheim, and the other the Synthol process invented by Professor Franz Fischer, the Director of the Institute for Coal Research at Muhlheim.

The process worked out by Bergius and Billwiler depends on subjecting coal, lignite, peat, or wood to free hydrogen at a pressure of at least 200 atmospheres and a temperature of 500-750 deg. F. According to a patent taken out in 1915 it is possible to get about 85 per cent. of the original matter in a liquid state; part of the liquid is solid matter in solution in auxiliary substances added for the purpose of dissolving it, such as the middle oil from tar distillation, benzene, and pyridine. The hydrogenation product of gas coal is a thick oil, looking like lubricating oil and having a blue green colour. It has been objected that by the Bergius process only a small percentage of lighter oils is produced, and that the solids dissolved in the auxiliary bodies must be changed into real liquid hydrocarbons by an additional process. So far it has not been stated whether it has been found possible to devise a method by which this additional treatment may be carried out in an economical manner, but from the fact that a large plant for Bergius's coal is now being erected in Mannheim, and that the Bergius group, it may be concluded that the efforts made to apply the process in a technical manner on a large scale have had a satisfactory result.

In the Synthol process devised by Fischer and Tropsch, two gases, carbon monoxide and hydrogen, are mixed at a high temperature and pressure. The product has an oily character and contains various bodies from which acetone, methyl alcohol, and ethyl alcohol may be separated by fractional distillation. The residue can be used for running light oil engines it has been proved by extensive trials. The oily product, which has been called synthol, may be changed by further treatment under pressure and high temperature into naphthenic hydrocarbons. This treatment has not been tried out on a commercial scale, but it is so simple in itself that it should not present any technical difficulties.

This method opens up new prospects for making economical use of coal. The coal should preferably be freed from its volatile matter, either by the normal coking process or by low-temperature coking. The tar thus obtained should be the product to be worked up into lighter or heavier liquid fuel of into raw products for the chemical industry. Coal containing only a little volatile matter, and coke and semi-coke produced by ordinary coking, may be gasified into generator gas or in the blast furnace. The gases thus produced are the materials from which the synthol is then made. In this way semi-coke may be used more advantageously than, for instance, as pulverised fuel, especially as the nitrogen contained in it is not lost. Distillation products from other materials—for instance, from lignite, peat, and wood—may be employed for making water gas and thus form the basis for synthol.

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The Board of Trade has issued revised lists of the medicines and medical stores which merchant ships will be required to carry as from July 1st, 1925. This is the first time the lists have been revised for more than 15 years, and the progress in medical treatment that has been made in the meantime is partially reflected in the new lists.

Among the drugs which—on the advice of the Royal Colleges of Physicians and Surgeons and the Pharmaceutical Society which the Board consulted—are to be included among the medical stores of ships and having 100 or more persons on board and which are therefore required to carry a doctor, are the following:—

Adrenaline—a drug frequently used in cardiac failure and to arrest bleeding.
Emetine—a specific in the treatment of dysentery.

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Cocaine, hexamine, and salol.

Additions to the medical stores include hot-water bottles, ice bags, throat mirrors, ear syringes, and enough sterilised dressing for one major operation.

The two principal lists, which previously applied to emigrant vessels only, are on and after July 1st to be extended to all merchant ships required to carry medical practitioners. The quantities of all drugs and accessories to be carried are specified, even the number of medicine bottles, corks, and ointment-boxes being laid down. All quantities vary, however, according to the number of persons on board and the length of the voyage. Among the "medical comforts" to be carried are arrowroot, semolina, condensed milk, and brandy, the quantity of the last named being one gallon per 100 passengers and crew.

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WEATHER REPORT.

April 23rd at 18.00.—Pressure has increased slightly over Japan, E. China, Formosa and the Philippines. It has decreased slightly at Choo and over India-China, and is nearly stationary at Hongkong.

Area of relatively low pressure over central Japan and India-China.

Hongkong rainfall for the 24 hours ending at 18 hours, April 23rd 0.00 inch. Total since January 1st, 20.91 inches, against an average of 10.11 inches.

The forecast for the 24 hours ending at 18 hours, April 24th is as follows:—

Direction	Forecast
Formosa Channel ...	N. or variable wind; moderate.
Hongkong to Gap Rock ...	E. winds, moderate.

South coast of China between Hongkong and Lamook ... do.
South coast of China between Hongkong and Hainan ... do.

HONGKONG METEOROLOGICAL REGISTER.

Hongkong Observatory, April 23rd

	Previous Day at 2 p.m.	On Date at 6 a.m.	On Date at 2 p.m.
Barometer ...	29.85	29.85	29.85
Temperature ...	70	69	74
Humidity ...	90	87	84
Wind Direction ...	E	E	E
Force ...	3	3	0
Weather ...	0	0 M	0.00
Rain ...	0.00	0.00	0.00

Highest open-air Temperature on 22nd ... 75

Lowest open-air Temperature on 23rd ... 68

HONGKONG TIDE TABLE.

From April 24th to 30th, 1925.

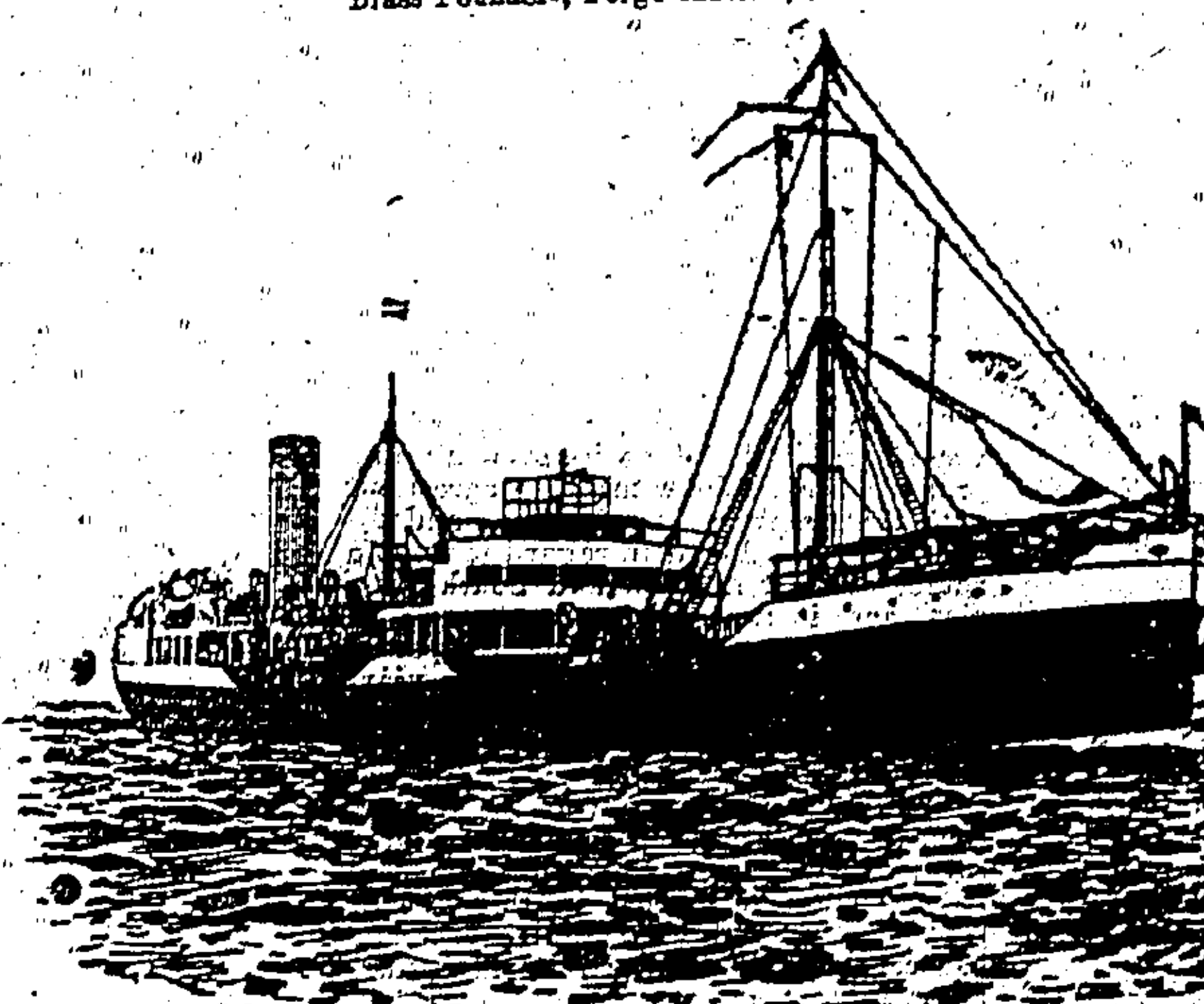
Day of Week	Day of Month	High Water		Low Water	
		H'kong. Standard Time.	Height.	H'kong. Standard Time.	Height.
Fri.	24	m 9 47	6.4	m 3 48	2.3
Satur.	25	m 10 12	6.5	m 4 10	2.6
Sun.	26	m 11 47	6.7	m 4 12	1.4
Mon.	27	m 10 38	6.5	m 4 33	3.0
Tues.	28	m 9 47	6.3	m 5 56	1.3
Wed.	29	m 11 3	6.4	m 4 44	1.7
Thur.	30	m 11 46	6.2	m 5 17	3.6
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"MACEDONIA"	11,088	2nd May, Noon	Marseilles & London
"ALIPPORE"	5,273	13th May	Singapore, Penang, & Bombay
"SARDINIA"	5,274	18th May	S'pore, Penang, Colombo & B'way.
"SOUDEAN"	4,696	28th May	S'pore, Penang, Colombo & B'way.
"MOREA"	10,311	30th May	Marseilles & London
"NAGOYA"	5,354	31st May	Marseilles & London
"SICILIA"	6,813	10th June	S'pore, Penang, Colombo & B'way.
"KALYAN"	9,118	13th June	Mars., London & Antwerp
"MALWA"	10,941	17th June	S'pore, Penang, Colombo & B'way.
"DELTA"	5,097	24th July	Marseilles & London
"KASHMIR"	8,988	11th July	S'pore, Penang, Colombo & B'way.
"MANTUA"	10,903	14th July	Marseilles & London
"SOUDEAN"	6,596	6th Aug.	S'pore, Penang, Colombo & B'way.
"KASHGAR"	9,008	8th Aug.	Marseilles, London & A'warp.
"MACEDONIA"	11,088	22nd Aug.	Marseilles & London
"SICILIA"	6,813	2nd Sept.	S'pore, Penang, Colombo & B'way.
"NARKUNDA"	13,327	5th Sept.	Marseilles & London
"KARMA"	9,135	19th Sept.	Marseilles, London & A'warp.
"KALWA"	10,941	17th Oct.	Marseilles & London.

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S.S.	Tons	From Hongkong (about)	Destination
"TALMA"	10,000	23rd Apr. 1 p.m.	Singapore, Penang & Calcutta.
"TILAWA"	10,006	1st May	do.
"TALAMBA"	8,015	7th May	do.
"TAKLIWA"	7,938	14th May	do.
"TAIRRA"	7,938	25th May	do.
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"ST. ALBANS"	4,500	26th Apr. 4 p.m.	Manila, Sandakan, Thursday Island, Townsville, Brisbane, Sydney & Melbourne.
"TANDA"	6,958	3rd June	do.
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"TAKADA"	10,911	1st May	Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama
"BOUDAN"	4,696	1st May	Shanghai & Kobe
"TAIRRA"	7,938	4th May	Kobe
"TANDA"	6,958	9th May	Moji, Kobe & Yokohama
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"KASHMIR"	8,988	1st Nov.	do.
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"MACEDONIA"	11,088	27th Nov.	do.

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SWATOW & SHANGHAI	"SUNNING"	On 24th Apr.	11 a.m.
SWATOW & BANGKOK	"KALANG"	On 24th Apr.	11 a.m.
AMOY & SHANGHAI	"SUNKIANG"	On 27th Apr.	5 p.m.
SWATOW & SINGAPORE	"KINGYUAN"	On 28th Apr.	11 a.m.
SHANGHAI & TSINGTAO	"KANGCHOW"	On 29th Apr.	11 a.m.
SHANGHAI	"YINGCHOW"	On 29th Apr.	5 p.m.
SWATOW & SHANGHAI	"SUIYANG"	On 30th Apr.	11 a.m.
HOIHOW, PAKHOI & HAIPHONG	"TAMING"	On 30th Apr.	11 a.m.
WEIHAIWEI, CHEFOO & TIENSIN	"KUEICHOW"	On 1st May	4 a.m.
AMOY, SWATOW & SINGAPORE	"ANHUI"	On 2nd May	11 a.m.
SHANGHAI & TSINGTAO	"KIANGCHOW"	On 2nd May	11 a.m.
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ARRIVALS FROM EUROPE:

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s.s. "OUDEKERK"	—	8th May, 1925
s.s. "SALABANGKA"	—	2nd June, "

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S.S.	From Hongkong (about)	Destination
s.s. "ZOSMA"	—	25th April, 1925
s.s. "OUDEKERK"	—	Middle of May
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INWARD MAILS.

FROM	PER	DATE
JAPAN & SHANGHAI	Hakone Maru	24th April
EUROPE via Nagasaki (Papers only, London, 26th March)	Diomed	25th April
SHANGHAI & EUROPE via SIBERIA	Kanchow	25th April
SHANGHAI & EUROPE via SIBERIA (London, 3rd April)	Pres. McKinley	26th April
MANILA	Taiwan	26th April
AMOI	Amboise	27th April
EUROPE	St. Albans	28th April
JAPAN	Empress of Asia	28th April
MANILA	Pres. Jefferson	30th April
U.S.A., CANADA, JAPAN & SHANGHAI	Taiwan	8th May
AUSTRALIA AND MANILA	Pres. Jefferson	7th May
MANILA	Taiwan	8th May
AUSTRALIA AND MANILA	Taiwan	8th May

OUTWARD MAILS.

FOR	PER	DATE
Hoihow and Haiphong	Borneo	Friday, 24th, 8.00 A.M.
Java via Sourabaya	Oak Park	10.00 A.M.
Java and Bangkok	Kanchow	10.30 P.M.
Hoihow and Fochow	Hai Ning	5.00 P.M.
Amoy and Japan	Taiwan	5.00 P.M.
Shanghai & Japan	Nagoya	5.00 P.M.
Shanghai, Japan, Honolulu, Canada, U.S.A., C. & S. America and Europe via San Francisco—due San Francisco, 19th May.	Pres. Cleveland	Parcels 24th, Saturday, 25th, 8.45 A.M.
Hoihow	Diomed	8.00 A.M.
Straits, Ceylon, India, Mauritius, E. & S. Africa, Egypt and Europe via Marseilles—due Marseilles, 24th May.	Hakone Maru	Registration, 8.45 A.M.
Java via Sourabaya	Taiwan	10.30 A.M.
Saigon, Mauritius, Aden, Egypt and Europe via Marseilles—due Marseilles, 26th May—Ship sails at 4 p.m. on Sunday, the 26th April.	Paul Locat	Reg. Letters, 4.15 P.M.
Manila & Europe only for Germany via Hamburg	Oldenburg	5.00 P.M.
Hoihow and Haiphong	Leasing	Sunday, 26th, 8.30 A.M.
Swatow, Amoy and Fochow	Pres. McKinley	9.00 A.M.
Swatow and Bangkok	Amboise	10.30 A.M.
Shanghai and Japan	Parcels	Noon
Shanghai, Japan, Canada, U.S.A., Central & S. America, & EUROPE via Victoria, B.C.—due Victoria, B.C., 16th May—and Europe via Siberia (correspondence specially superimposed "via Siberia" only.)	Pres. McKinley	Reg. Letters, 3.30 P.M.
Amoy	Sinkiang	3.00 P.M.
Manila, Straits, Ceylon, India, Mauritius, E. & S. Africa	Pres. Harrison	5.00 P.M.
Swatow and Bangkok	Hopsang	Tuesday, 26th, 10.30 A.M.
Java via Sourabaya	Lahore	10.30 A.M.
Java via Batavia	Taiwan	11.30 A.M.
Straits and Calcutta	Hai Hong	Noon
Swatow, Amoy and Fochow	Kanchow	Wednesday, 26th, 9.30 A.M.
Shanghai	Yingchow	3.30 P.M.
Straits and Calcutta	Hopsang	Thursday, 30th, 1.00 P.M.
Manila, Sandakan, Australia and New Zealand via Thursday Island—due Thursday Island, 12th May.	St. Albans	Parcels, 1.45 P.M.
Shanghai, Japan, Canada, U.S.A., Central & S. America, & EUROPE via VANCOUVER, B.C.—due Vancouver, B.C., 18th May—Ship sails at daylight on Friday, the 1st May.	Empress of Asia	Registration, 3.30 P.M.

*Correspondence bearing vessel's name only

COMMERCIAL OPENING QUOTATIONS.

April 23rd, 1925.

ON LONDON.—		
Telegraphic Transfer ...	2/3	
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Documentary Bills, 4 months sight ...	3/4	
ON PARIS.—		
Bank Bills, on demand ...	1.40	
Credit, 4 months sight ...	1.40	
ON NEW YORK.—		
Bank Bills, on demand ...	54 1/2	
Credit, at 30 days sight ...	55 1/2	
ON HONGKONG.—		
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Telegraphic Transfer ...		151
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Private, 30 days sight ...		
ON YOKOHAMA.—		
On demand ...	1.37 1/2	
ON BATAVIA.—		
On demand ...	108 1/2	
ON SINGAPORE.—		
On demand ...	96 1/2	
ON HONGKONG.—		
On demand ...	133 1/2	
ON SINGAPORE.—		
On demand ...	nom.	
ON SINGAPORE.—		
On demand ...	82 1/2	
ON SINGAPORE.—		
On demand ...	8 1/2	
ON SINGAPORE.—		
On demand ...	47.63	
ON SINGAPORE.—		
On demand ...	31 5/16	